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THAT any such alteration in the constitution of the House of Lords as would be implied by the acceptance of the programme of "Reform" sketched out by Lord ROSSBURY's Committee would render the Upper House the real governing body of the country, is felt on all hands and by none more than the Radical party who have brought the House into such a position that some fundamental change has become a matter of necessity. It yet is plain that, as with the army the necessity of superseding the present system of enlistment by some method of compulsory military training, is rapidly being instilled into the mind of the nation at large; so is growing the national conviction that the enlargement of the constituencies to the extent that all private thought on the part of the voters has been extinguished, has reduced the status of the House of Commons to that of a mere machine for enregistering the views of a few wire-pullers; and in consequence all confidence in the ability of the Lower Chamber to manage the complicated affairs of a great nation has been dissipated. Conscious of its inability to tackle questions of high policy, the House has practically ceased to discuss the foreign relations of the State, which are as implicitly placed in the hands of the Foreign Office as in any of the more especially monarchial governments of the Continent; while the affairs of the Army and Navy are rapidly falling into the hands of the Ministers of the day. In little better

condition are the financial affairs of the nation, which have ceased to be discussed on grounds, and are only regarded from the narrowest of merely party platforms, or as a means of stirring up socialistic dissensions; and setting class against class. In such a disorganised condition nature in the long run is sure to provide a remedy; but the remedy is pretty sure to bear as hardly as the disease. Whenever disorder has gone so far as to gain the upper hand, affairs are bound to return to the law of the stronger; it may be the stronger physically or the more able mentally, but the law itself cannot be evaded, and is bound to return on those who have provoked it. The extreme Radicals were thus quite right when they cried out in their distress that Lord LANSDOWNE, and a few others had the other day taken in hand the salvation of the country; but they forgot that it was they alone who had forced the necessity of action on them. Had, in the particular case in question, the House of Commons been made to feel that in passing the foolish act in question they were really flying in the face of their own constituents, there would have been no occasion nor opportunity for the meeting called by Lord LANSDOWNE. The simple fact was that, wise in their own conceit, certain incompetent ministers sought to take advantage of a flying start to impose by force on the nation at large certain crack-brained fads of their own imagination. The sequel to the affair was its most instructive part. So far from a deeply injured people resenting the decision of Lord LANSDOWNE's meeting, there was a general sigh of relief that at the last moment someone had been found to save them from the consequence of their own folly.

So much for the present aspect of the Un-representative House, which, it is not too much to say, is rapidly becoming a laughing stock, and whose most cherished attempts at legislating for a nation of grandmothers are rapidly finding their natural resting place in the waste paper basket of the House. If we look to the presumed "Upper Chamber" the outlook is not altogether without anxiety. Both parties, and in this neither has much to boast of over the other, have been with their eyes open vying with one another in lowering the quality of the House of Lords. After diluting it with all sorts of unmentionable stuff it is hardly reassuring to see them seeking to hold up the House to ridicule. "See what a feeble old House this is of yours," would be a very good part cry, but it would be not for the incriminating reply: "The House is as you made it," and the criminal is not permitted to plead in his defence his own laches. It is notorious that it is this new element in the House of Lords that has lowered the standard of the whole. Men who had failed in everything else, who had been promoted by the ministers of the day, and found utterly wanting were in the kindness of heart of the Premier of the day sent up to drone away a useless existence on the benches of the House of Lords. It takes, says the old proverb, three generations to make a gentleman, but in a lower sphere it takes as many to reduce a nincompoop to utter imbecility; and the succeeding generations of men promoted for incapacity were not likely to rise in the scale simply by having the title Lord appended to their surname. These are the folk who have brought the House of Lords into contempt. With few exceptions the representatives of the older nobility understand their duties towards the House, and what is as important, towards the people and the nation. But the very weight of numbers alone has had its effect in the House of Lords, as it has notoriously in that of the Commons. No subject can be adequately discussed in a crowd sufficiently numerous to sink the individuality of its members. The same rule that at the hustings leads men when overnumbered to vote in flocks as sheep rushing to destruction, simply because one of their number has been seized with panic, also renders incapable of judgment the member wedged in by a thoughtless crowd. Voting by shocs has indeed been the main cause of the very notable falling off in the intelligence of both Houses, and, if not checked in time, promises at no distant date to sap the foundation of the Empire. Now it is the consciousness of this that has impelled the Committee of the Lords to present the very elaborate scheme they propose to the House. Unfortunately, even if acceptable in other respects, the scheme possesses the same crowning defect. Still as a first and tentative device for improving the quality of the too diluted house it has its good points. A representative house selected by itself from a body, where the majority belong to one school of thought, is certain, unless some very elaborate method of selection be brought into play, to represent on the majority, and nothing weakens a legislative body so much as the sense that

it has no opposition to deal with. That original and co-opted members of a deliberative assembly should belong to different classes would also bring any assembly so constituted to instant destruction, yet both these defects exist to an overpowering extent in the proposal. As it stands, it would, in fact, be utterly unworkable, and would enhance instead of amending the weaknesses it was designed to remove. Still, if the country is to be taken out of chaos and restored to the blessings of material light, something must be done, and that apparently quickly. Men like an ASQUITH, a CHURCHILL, a LORD GROSVE, and a GARR, whose only bond of union is discontent cannot be found to make that a basis for re-creating the fabric of Government already rudely shattered. Some one must be found in time of peril to take command of the ship, already drifting on the rocks of socialism and revolution.

A few flakes of snow fell at Shanghai on the 13th inst, but they melted as they fell.

The Chinese Imperial Post Office are about to issue a new stamp, entitled the Commemorative Stamp.

A brilliant assembly met in the City Hall last night on the occasion of the bal masqué given by naval officers.

A humorous situation was witnessed at the Magistracy yesterday when Mr. Kemp had his golf caddy before him on a charge of theft.

The value of exports from Formosa to foreign countries last year amounted to Y9,297,135, and imports to Y17,287,970. Exports to Japan proper totalled Y24,418,614 and imports from Japan Y20,919,399.

A native managed to effect an entrance into the Military Hospital on Bowen Road on Monday and made off with two pair of boots belonging to a soldier. His capture is not as valuable as it might have been, as he took two lefts and left two rights.

Mr. H. T. S. Green, who has been the manager of the International Banking Corporation's Yokohama branch has been transferred to the Head Office on promotion. Mr. N. S. Marshall, of Kobe succeeds Mr. Green at Yokohama.

The Rt. Hon. Sir Cecil Clementi Smith, G.C.M.G., the Imperial delegate representing the Crown Colonies at the forthcoming International Opium Commission at Shanghai is a passenger by the P. & O. steamer *Demania* due on Thursday.

Rumours have been current in Yokohama for several days, says the *Japan Gazette*, that the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China at this port has been victimized to the extent of about Y200,000 by two Chinese, who on December 29th jointly drew this sum from the Bank by means of forged bills.

The woman who is suspected of having stabbed a former sweetheart in Guttaf Street on Friday night was placed in the dock yesterday along with a man and charged with wounding and causing grievous bodily harm. They were remanded. The victim is recovering.

An interesting debate took place in the Y.M.C.A. Parliament last night. Mr. E. A. Lowmy introduced a motion in favour of compulsory military training. There was an interchange of ideas and the voting being even the speaker gave his casting vote in favour of the Government motion, which was accordingly adopted.

Because a junk master who was unloading near Ah King's shipway at Wanchai could not get his craft near enough to the shore, owing to low water, to please the coolies engaged for the work, a number of them boarded the junk, abused the master and threw one of the children into the water. The police interfered and arrested seven who were yesterday brought before Mr. Wood and fined \$10 each.

The ascent of Fuji through the snow by a party from Tokyo, who, started from Gotemba on the 5th instant, proved a failure. The party found the road above the second station hard and frozen, and succeeded in reaching the seventh station, where they were suddenly enveloped in a dense fog. This was followed by a heavy snow storm, whereupon signals were made to descend. So heavy was the snowfall that it was impossible to see, and for awhile the party could neither retreat nor advance. Eventually the snowstorm abated and towards sunset the party managed to descend to Taroko, arriving at Gotemba about 11 o'clock at night.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report—
On the 19th at 11.45 a.m.—The barometer has risen over Central and Northern China and fallen in Japan.
A depression, which has developed over the Eastern Sea, is approaching S.W. Japan.
The area of high pressure extending over N. China, appears to be of considerable intensity, and the monsoon is expected to become very strong in the Formosa Channel and the N. part of the China Sea.
Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.
The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows—
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Formosa Channel. (Same as No. 1.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamook. (Same as No. 1.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan. (Same as No. 1.
(*) N. and N.E. winds, freshening considerably; fair colder.

TELEGRAMS.

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BULGARIA'S OFFER TO
TURKEY.LONDON, January 18th.
Bulgaria has offered to Turkey eighty-two million francs for the railway seized by her in Eastern Rumelia.

The offer is criticised in political quarters in Sofia, in view of the unfavourable state of Bulgaria's finances.

THE RUSSIAN LOAN.

LONDON, January 18th.
The English portion of the Russian loan has been covered four or five times over.
The Continental portions have not yet been issued.THE EXPANSION OF THE
WHITE RACES.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S VIEWS.

LONDON, January 19th.
At a celebration in New York in connection with the diamond jubilee of the establishment of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Africa President Roosevelt made a speech in which he said that the expansion of the white races was fraught with lasting benefit to the natives.

The President referred especially to the work of the French in Algeria, the British in India, and the Americans in the Philippines. The British administration in India, he said, was a greater feat than any since the days of the Roman empire.

DEATH OF A NAVAL EXPERT.

LONDON, January 19th.
The death is announced of Mr. Francis Elgar, a well-known expert in naval construction.

[Mr. Elgar was in the Admiralty service 1867-71, and was chief professional assistant to Sir E. J. Reed from 1871 to 1879. He then became adviser upon Naval construction to the Japanese Government for three years. From 1881 to 1886 he was consulting naval architect in London, and for three years of that time professor of naval architecture and marine engineering of Glasgow. From 1886 to 1892 Mr. Elgar was Director of H.M.'s Dockyards at the Admiralty, and subsequently he joined the Fairbank Shipbuilding and Engineering Co. of Glasgow as Director and Naval Architect. He became Chairman of the Council of the Institution of Naval Architects.]

HARMSTON'S CIRCUS.

There was no more powerful attraction in youth than the circus and it is pleasant to find that even in maturer years Harmston's Circus still has a magnetism which is difficult to resist. Children as well as adults enjoy the remarkable comprehensive programme which the proprietors have provided. Not only are the baraback performances clever, but the acrobatic acts and feats of strength are little short of marvellous, while the performing animals are certainly worth seeing. The event of the night was of course the looping the loop which thrilled and delighted the audience. Running throughout the programme was a very acceptable humorous element. Certainly the Circus deserves well of the Hongkong public.

There will be a matinee this afternoon, commencing at 3.30.

THE VERDICT OF "SUICIDE WHIST
TEMPORARILY INSANE."

At the conclusion of a London City inquest, last month, a jurymen remarked that readers of newspapers could not help being struck at the number of suicides that occurred, and almost invariably a verdict of temporary insanity was returned. Did not the voracious think that many men took their lives when they were of sound mind?

Dr. Waldo said it was a very difficult question to answer, but his own personal opinion was that a large majority of persons who took their lives were sane at the time. Take, for instance, the case of a man of the affluent class who was going to get a long term of imprisonment, and who took poison. It was, however, a very hopeless subject, but he did not think the verdict of temporary insanity was at all merited. Moreover, it tended to encourage people to take their lives, and jurists were bound by their oath to say whether a man was insane or not.

Another juror undertook that when a verdict of *felix de se* was returned some insurance companies would not pay.
The Coroner and that might be so, but one must be just. Suicides were much on the increase, and in that Court verdicts of *felix de se* had been returned four or five times this year.
A juror.—If that verdict was returned oftener it would have the effect of preventing suicides.

The Coroner.—I think that myself. As far as trustworthy evidence goes, not more than 50 per cent. of people who take their lives are actually insane.

SANITARY BOARD.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board was held yesterday at the Board Room. Mr. R. O. Hutcheson presided, and there were present Hon. Mr. W. Chatham, C.M.G., Colonel Bedford, Hon. Mr. E. A. Irving, Mr. A. Shelton Hooper, Mr. H. Humphreys, Mr. Lau Chu Pak, Dr. Pearce (Medical Officer of Health), Dr. McFarlane, (Assistant Medical Officer of Health) and Mr. A. Gibson (Secretary).

CATTLE DISEASES AT POKFULUM.

A letter was received from the Colonial Veterinary Surgeon as follows:—I have the honour to report for the information of the Board that rinderpest is now at an end in shed No. 10, Dairy Farm Company's premises, at Sassoon's Villa, Pokfulum Road, and that foot and mouth disease is also at an end in Sheds Nos. 11 and 12, which belong to the same company. These sheds have been cleaned and disinfected, and I beg therefore to recommend that they be no longer regarded as an infected area. There were no deaths from foot and mouth disease, and of the 19 animals in No. 10 shed affected with rinderpest, two died.

Dr. Gibson wrote a second letter as follows:—I have the honour to report for the information of the Board that rinderpest has appeared in No. 7 shed of the Dairy Farm Company's premises at Sassoon's Villa, Pokfulum Road. There are fourteen cows, one bull and one calf in this shed. I beg therefore to recommend that the shed be declared an infected area under the Importation and Inspection of Animals Byelaws, Ordinance 1 of 1903-1908.

On the motion of the PRESIDENT, seconded by Mr. HOOPER, sheds Nos. 10, 11 and 12 were declared free from infection, and shed No. 7 was declared infected.

GOVERNMENT ANALYST'S EXAMINATION.

The Government Analyst reported having examined two samples of brandy, ten of milk, three of port wine and six of whisky, all of which were found to be unadulterated.

MORTALITY STATISTICS.

The mortality statistics for the week ended 2nd January showed that the death rate of the Colony, based on a rate per 1,000 per annum of the total population was 19.4 as against 19.9 for the corresponding week of last year.

LIMEWASHING RETURN.

The limewashing return for the fortnight ended 29th December showed that 1,728 houses were lime washed in the Eastern District, and 680 in the Central District.

A CONFIDENTIAL MATTER.

The President was about to refer to the conclusion of the term of Messrs. Hooper and Humphreys on the Board, when Mr. Hooper asked that a confidential matter on the agenda on members should be taken first.

The PRESIDENT moved that strangers be requested to withdraw.

THE VICE-PRESIDENT SECONDED.

Mr. HOOPER.—Before you put the motion I would direct your attention to the fact that under the standing orders all meetings of the Board, whether in committee or not, should be public unless motion is made to exclude strangers, and carried by a majority of the members present. As this is a matter which I think should be made public, I would simply suggest to the members that the motion be not carried. It is a matter affecting the conduct of an officer: I will not mention his name, therefore it is not discussing it. As a result of the inquiry of the Commission I am firmly of opinion that if this is made public there will be fewer complaints in the future, and I hope it will be considered publicly.

The VICE-PRESIDENT.—So far as I am concerned, I am not aware that the papers have been through my hands; therefore I am not in a position to express an opinion one way or the other.

The PRESIDENT.—No, they have not been in your hands.
The REGISTRAR-GENERAL.—Have not they been in mine?

The PRESIDENT.—The papers came from your office.

COLONEL BEDFORD.—I have read through the papers, and as far as I have seen, I cannot agree with Mr. Shelton Hooper. I see no advantage at all in the matter being made public. I fail to see in what way it would benefit the community.

Mr. HOOPER.—My mouth is rather closed in explaining, but I will propose an amendment that the matter stand over till next meeting in order to let members who have not seen the papers see them.

Mr. LAU-CHU-PAK seconded the amendment, which was agreed to.

VALEDICTORY.

The PRESIDENT.—Gentlemen, this is the last meeting of two of our members—Mr. Shelton Hooper and Mr. Humphreys. I am very glad to see that Mr. Hooper is going to stand again, and I am sure it will be a pleasure to all of us to see him present at the next meeting and able to carry on the good work which he has done in the past. I regret that Mr. Humphreys finds himself unable to stand again for election. At this time, when the new Ordinance is in its initial stages, his experience would be of vast use to us, and I hope that at some future date he will again be able to take his seat at the Board.

Mr. HUMPHREYS.—Sir, I am very gratified and I thank you for your remarks. The three years that I and my Colleague, Mr. Hooper have represented the tax payers on this Board have involved probably the hardest work that any such representatives have ever been called upon to perform, owing principally to His Excellency Sir Matthew Nathan appointing all the Unofficials of this Board a commission to inquire into the working of the Health Ordinance. The amount of work which that Commission did and the corruption it exposed, is I think, well known. The spectacle of \$10,000 squandered every month during the plague season on an unknown and untidied disinfectant, of thousands of dollars paid out every month to unknown Chinese contractors, without business premises and with-

out even a printed form for their bills, will, I trust, never again be presented to the Community. The Sanitary Board as a Board could not be asked to share the blame in any way because prior to this state of affairs the Government had transferred practically the whole of the executive arrangements to a Sanitary Department composed entirely of Government Officials. There is very little work under the Sanitary law to be done now. Under the new Ordinance all matters connected with buildings have been transferred from the Board to the Building Authority. I do not say it is not a move in the right direction, but good or bad, it whittles down the business of the Board to practically nothing. Certainly the last few meetings I have attended have been a farce. For this reason, if for no other, I take my leave of the Board without a single regret. At the same time I would like to express my appreciation of the courtesy of yourself and your predecessor. It is not always that unofficial members of the Board had every courtesy that they wanted.

Mr. HOOPER.—Sir, I thank you very much for your personal allusion to myself and to the work which I have done during the last three years. I join with my colleague, Mr. Humphreys, in thanking you and your predecessor for the courtesy you have extended to the unofficial members while they have been under your presidency at this Board. I think I should be wanting were I not to refer to the action of His Excellency Sir Frederick Lugard in matters of sanitation and all connected therewith. He arrived at an important time, just as the commission had given their report. He therefore came fresh to it, but he studied it from beginning to end and listened to the arguments which were adduced in connection with the legislation which has since been enacted, and the legislation which was proposed. His Excellency has always given an attentive ear to any communication which any member of this Board (I can speak from personal experience) has ever addressed to him. I think he appreciated the situation when shortly after his arrival it was apparent that there was not that good feeling between officials and unofficials which should exist. I, for one, saw no reason why any friction should exist, and suggested to His Excellency a certain course to which he at once gave effect: that was with a view to breaking down the apparent phalanx against unofficial members. He adopted my suggestion that instead of officials being seated at the top of the table and unofficials at the bottom, he should mix us all up. He likewise gave directions for the Colonial Secretary to issue an order that official members of this Board were free to vote on all questions according to their conscience, as if they were unofficials, and I think that went a long way to smooth over matters and create a better feeling. The result of that is, I think, that our time is not wasted as it was before by long meetings and constant controversies between officials and unofficials. I am sure that all members appreciated his action. I may say that when I joined the Board three years ago, I joined it with the intention of approaching every subject that came before me with an unbiased mind. I had no axe to grind, though some people were unkind enough to say I had. That is all very well as a matter of prophecy: that was three years ago when I stated that I had not, and I will ask you to look back on facts. There have been 105 Board meetings since we were elected, at 90 of which I have been present, and I will challenge any member of this Board, including the secretary with all his past records, to show that I ever gave a vote on anything I was personally interested in, or that could in any way be classed as binding my own vote, for I disclaim it altogether, and highly disapprove of it. That has been my policy in the past and perhaps it would be more correct if I stated it outside if elected, it will be my policy in the future (applause).

ALLEGED OPIUM SMUGGLING IN THE PHILIPPINES.

OFFICERS OF THE "RUBI" ARRESTED.

Alexander McCormick, second engineer of the steamship *Rubi* was found in possession of 60 ounces of opium when the ship arrived in Manila on the 12th inst. and was arrested by the chief of the secret service department of the bureau of customs. In connection with the arrest of Mr. McCormick, W. G. Lawson, the ship's first officer is said to have placed himself between the officer making the arrest and his fellow officer and thus made it possible for him to attempt to escape. He has been charged with interfering with an officer in the discharge of his duties.

He was also arrested and together with McCormick was removed to the Meise police station where they were held under order of the court to appear for arraignment the following day. Charges were filed against them in the afternoon by the prosecuting attorney and bail of P1,000 for McCormick and P5,000 for Lawson recommended.

The defence of the second engineer is stated to be that he found the opium in one of the bunkers while engaged in searching for contraband. He is said to have been making his way on deck to report the find when he was arrested by the Customs detective officer. The Captain was ashore at the time, and the Chief Officer objected to McCormick being taken off the ship before the Captain returned.

HEAVY SENTENCE ON A CHINAMAN.

At Cebu a Chinese who was arrested on November 1st last charged with having on board the steamer *Kaifong* in the port of Cebu 70 cans of opium in his possession and under his control, has just been sentenced to five years' imprisonment to pay a fine of ten thousand pesos (P10,000.00) and in case of insolvency to suffer subsidiary imprisonment at the rate of one day for each twelve and one-half pesos which he fails to pay, such subsidiary imprisonment not to exceed one year, and to pay the costs of the case.

The following German officials in North China have been decorated by H. M. The Kaiser, in recognition of their services.—Graf von Herz, German Minister at Peking, has been decorated with the star of the Crown Order, second class. Herr Dobbrunck, Chancellor of the German Legation, has received the Crown Order, third class. Consul H. Cordes, Director of the Deutsch-Asiatische Bank, Peking, has also been decorated with the Crown Order, third class.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE SANITARY BOARD ELECTION.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."]

DEAR SIR,—I find that by inadvertence my manifesto was addressed to the Ratepayers of Hongkong, and I desire to take this public opportunity of correcting the error. Under the New Public Health Amended Ordinance passed last year the classes of persons mentioned in Mr. Shelton Hooper's letter as eligible to vote may exercise the franchise, whether they pay rates or not.—Yours faithfully,
GERARD H. L. FITZWILLIAMS.

ABOUT VOTES FOR WOMEN.

SIR,—There is plenty of talk at present about the extension of the franchise in Hongkong, and I would like to know if there is any reason why women should not be allowed to vote at Wednesday's election? We are just as keenly interested in sanitary administration as the men, and goodness knows we feel the spitting nuisance much more. That being so, we ought to have a voice, weak though it be, in dealing with these affairs. We certainly have the health of the community at heart and may be relied upon to take a sympathetic and, if need be, an active interest in this work. His Excellency the Governor the other day declared that no woman can be really a companion to her husband unless she can share sympathetically and intelligently in his actions and in the work he sets himself to do. I haven't got a husband but as a ratepayer I used to have a vote. Now it is taken away. Sir Frederick, I thought, would have been the last man to have been a party to such unfair treatment. I do not belong to the "shrill sisterhood," but I hope if any suffragettes present themselves at the place of election on Wednesday they will be treated courteously.—Yours
MRS. ALGERNON.

SANITARY BOARD ELECTION.

Interest in the election is being well maintained, due, of course, to the extension of the franchise. Candidates are reviving the lost art of canvassing and to-day's proceedings will doubtless attract a large number to the City Hall. The polling hours are from 4 to 6 p.m. A question was raised as to whether the police would be allowed to vote and we have the assurance of the Captain Superintendent of Police that he has no objection to their exercising the franchise.

THE DISTRESS IN ITALY.

GENEROUS DONATION BY THE VICEROY OF CANTON.

Our Canton correspondent informed us recently that H.E. the Viceroy of Canton was taking a sympathetic interest in the distressing news from Italy. He had been in consultation with the leading gentry of Canton on the subject and had asked, through the Commissioner of Customs, for information from the Consul-General for Italy, Com. Volpielli.

Yesterday morning His Excellency sent an official to the Italian Consulate General with a cheque of ten thousand dollars (Hongkong notes) for the sufferers from the earthquake in southern Italy. Mr. Volpielli at once wired his thanks and will send a despatch to-day. He will also call on the Viceroy as soon as the period of mourning is over.

The Italian Consul General took the cheque at once to the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, and had the money transferred telegraphically to the Banca d'Italia at Rome, informing his Government at the same time. The Hongkong and Shanghai Bank very kindly transferred the money without any charges.

This generous gift of the Viceroy is important as a new step in the friendly relations between China and foreign countries. If our memory does not fail us, this is the first instance of China taking part officially in a work of international assistance in the relief of distress occasioned by a great calamity that has taken place at such a distance, and where there are no Chinese emigrants. China sent assistance at the time of the San Francisco earthquake, but in that city there are very many Chinese residents who have friends and relations in China, especially in Southern China. The disaster at Messina and Reggio not only happened at a great distance, but the relations between China and Italy have been hitherto very rare, as Italy has no colonies for the Chinese to emigrate to, and she generally buys silk through foreign firms. Until China began to build railways very few Italians came to China, and they are still not very numerous.

The gift of the Canton Viceroy must therefore be considered as a purely philanthropic act, and as a further indication that China intends to enter the comity of nations in the highest meaning of that expression. It has been very gratifying for the Italian Consul General, Mr. Volpielli, who has spent the greater and the best part of his life in China (he has been a resident for over 27 years) to be the recipient of this first gift inspired by international philanthropy.

A DERELICT JUNK WITH A STARVING CREW.

Captain Mathieson of the N. Y. K. *Kumano Maru* which arrived yesterday reported that the *Kumano Maru* left Hongkong on the 15th inst. and on the following day, at sea, about 255 miles off Ningpo, a signal was seen afar off on the waters as if calling for assistance. Captain Mathieson steered his vessel towards the object and, on getting near, saw it was a fishing junk with Ningpo men on board who were in a state of starvation through their provisions having run out. A gig was immediately lowered from the *Kumano Maru* and the second officer went with it with a plentiful supply of provisions and fresh water for the starving men, enough to last them several days for the voyage home.

SUPREME COURT.

Tuesday, January 19th.

IN CRIMINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR SIR FRANCIS PIGOTT (CHIEF JUSTICE).

ALLEGED ROBBERY WITH VIOLENCE.

Lam Chun, Chan Wai Sik, Chan Shang and Tong Wah were arraigned on a charge of robbery on December 31st. Prisoners pleaded not guilty, and the following jury was empanelled:—R. V. Rutter (foreman), B. M. Castro, A. R. F. Raven, J. T. d'Almeida e Castro, A. Jahrand, H. A. Schluter and C. R. Crispin.

The Hon. Mr. W. Rees Davies, K.C., Attorney-General, who was instructed by Mr. Donny, Jr., from the office of the Crown Solicitor, appeared for the Crown, the prisoners being undefended.

The Attorney-General informed the Court and jurors that this was another charge of robbery with violence, a crime which appeared to be very rife in this colony. The robbery took place in an opium divan at 236, Queen's Road Central, on the 31st of last month. Six men were said to have taken part, but only four had been arrested in connection with it. The case for the prosecution, which was supported by a large number of witnesses, was that six men entered the opium divan at about ten o'clock on the evening in question, and remained there for a considerable time. After smoking opium for a while they were told to go, but declined, saying they had not finished their smoke. After a time the six men got up, and the foks, thinking they were going, went to take away the opium lamps. The proceedings then appeared to have begun. Two of the men pushed one of the foks aside, tied and gagged him, and then they bound the other. Two more of the robbers proceeded to the bedroom of the master of the shop, wrapped him up in a quilt, and told him to be quiet or they would take his life, or use words to that effect. The master remained wrapped up in his blanket while the looting was going on. Then two of the intruders proceeded to the accountant's room, and one of them approaching, offered him some money. While the accountant was examining it the man caught him by the throat, tied him up, gagged him, put some wire through his hair and tied him to a stool. The people on the first floor then heard the noise, and owing to their shouting the six men ran away, but before doing so one of the men grabbed some money from the till in the accountant's room. A Chinese constable heard the alarm, went to the house and found all the foks tied up. Then he proceeded to a place called Circular Pathway where he arrested a man, took him back to the shop, and he was identified as the first defendant.

The other three were subsequently arrested by the police. The whole case turned, as most of these cases did, on the subject of identification. The first and second accused were identified by no less than five witnesses who spoke positively as to these two men. When charged by the police, all four prisoners made statements of an incriminating character, and it would be for the jury to say when they had heard the evidence what importance they attached to those statements. The second accused, in his evidence before the Magistrate, said the admission he had made to the police was in consequence of inducement held out by them to him. He was assaulted by the police and asked to come forward to give evidence against the other men, consequently the admission he made was owing to the assault and the duress under which he was.

After hearing the evidence the jury brought in a verdict of guilty against the first three defendants, and found the fourth not guilty.

His Lordship sentenced the first, second and third men to four years' imprisonment with hard labour, and discharged the fourth defendant.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR MR. H. H. J. GOMPERTZ (ACTING PRISON JUDGE).

AN ABSENT PLAINTIFF.

Tam San Ng, trading as the Yuen Kat sued the Man Ming Kok, and Ip Kung Ting, a partner therein, claiming the sum of \$69 for work done and material supplied.

Mr. Otto Kong Sing appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. O. D. Thomson for the defendant.

Mr. Kong Sing said he had received instructions that the case was settled, and that his client had gone to Canton.

Mr. Thomson had no knowledge of a settlement. His client said that no money had been paid to the plaintiff.

His Lordship—Perhaps the plaintiff will attend.

Mr. Kong Sing—He went away last night, my Lord.

Mr. Thomson—It was my friend's client who was anxious for the case to go on.

Mr. Kong Sing—It has been settled, my Lord.

Mr. Thomson—My clients are in Court, and they say it has not been settled.

His Lordship—Am I to strike the case out?

Mr. Thomson asked for costs.

Mr. Kong Sing asked his Lordship to put the case into a future list. If it was not settled, then his client must pay costs.

The case was adjourned until Friday week.

THE TRESPASS ACTION.

His Lordship delivered his decision in the action brought by Wong Shi, a single woman, against Loung Iu Shi, claiming \$1,000 damages for trespass, and for the unlawful conversion by the defendant of the plaintiff's share in the Wo Fung firm in Hongkong.

Mr. P. Sydenham Dixon (of Mr. R. A. Harding's office) represented the plaintiff, and Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton (of Messrs. Brutton and Hett) appeared for the defendant.

His Lordship, in delivering his decision, said he had taken some time to consider the case and the facts and the evidence were conflicting. He had come to the conclusion that on the whole of

the evidence he must give judgment for the defendant on the ground that he was not satisfied that the case set up by the plaintiff had been established. It was a case in which he could not but feel considerable doubt, and he could not help feeling some sympathy with the plaintiff. It was possible that the money she deposited with one of the men was obtained from her by fraud, but her case was that the fraud was committed on her by the whole of the partners. That his Lordship was not inclined to agree with; therefore he would give judgment for the defendant with costs.

SOLICITORS AND CLIENT.

The case in which Messrs. Goldring, Barlow and Morrell sued Miss Haydon to recover \$250 for professional services rendered was again called on.

Mr. O. D. Thomson represented the plaintiffs, and the defendant appeared in person.

His Lordship asked defendant if the claim was correct.

Defendant—No. I got judgment in the Allana case, and then it appears that the defendant in that case went into bankruptcy. But he has plenty of money, and I don't see why they cannot collect from him. When I saw Mr. Morrell about that action he said he would take the case, as he was sure he would win it, and then he would collect the money from Allana. He also told defendant that in case Allana did go into bankruptcy he would wait until affairs were settled up. Defendant then asked what it would cost her if Mr. Morrell did not win the case, and he said somewhere about \$100. She then paid him \$25 on account.

His Lordship—Is Mr. Morrell in the Colony?

Mr. Thomson—No, he is in Borneo. I understand the defendant's statements are incorrect.

His Lordship—I cannot understand the case.

Mr. Thomson—If the defendant has any letters from Mr. Morrell to the effect that he agreed to wait and get his costs from Allana that might help the Court.

His Lordship—Put the case like this: supposing the defendant goes into the box and gives evidence on oath that there was a certain verbal agreement, and you give only formal evidence, can you get judgment?

Mr. Thomson—No. Defendant asked his Lordship to adjourn the case until Mr. Morrell's return.

Mr. Thomson—I understand one of the plaintiffs' clerks is willing to go into the box and swear there was no agreement.

The cashier of the plaintiff firm was then called, and deposed that the firm did certain work for the defendant for which a bill of costs was drawn up and delivered on December 4th. The amount was \$250, and the bill was signed. So far as witness knew, defendant had paid nothing on account.

His Lordship (to defendant)—Do you wish to ask the witness any questions?

Defendant—I have a receipt from Mr. Morrell. In reply to his Lordship witness stated that he kept the accounts, and that nothing had been paid by defendant.

His Lordship asked if Mr. Morrell would be back by Friday.

Witness—He will be absent for five or six months.

Mr. Thomson—We will have to take his evidence on commission, I think.

His Lordship—It looks like it.

Defendant then entered the witness stand and told the story previously mentioned about the Allana bankruptcy. The plaintiffs, she said, did not seem to try to collect the money from Allana, and she could not understand why they sued her for costs.

Cross-examined—After the case was finished Mr. Morrell wrote you for payment of costs?

Quite recently he did.

Have you the letter?—I have but it is not with me.

You haven't the receipt he gave you with you either?—No.

I think the plaintiffs acted for you in other proceedings?—Mr. Goldring did.

Have you paid the costs for that?—I have, and can produce a receipt.

His Lordship (to defendant)—Have you any witnesses?—No, I thought I would get an adjournment.

Why were you going to apply for adjournment?—I was waiting for Mr. Morrell to return, or until the Allana bankruptcy was settled. Allana has lots of money, and I don't see why they don't collect it from him.

His Lordship—Presumably they are doing what they can. The position is as follows: the cashier of the plaintiff firm attends here and says he received no payment in that action. If I adjourn the case and find out you have paid something on account you will have to pay extra costs for the adjournment. Would you like the adjournment?

Defendant—Yes.

The case was adjourned until this morning.

CONSULAR CHANGES IN CHINA.

The following appointments were announced in the London *Gazette* a month ago:—

Sir Alexander Hesse to be his Majesty's Consul-General for the Provinces of Chihli and Shanai, to reside at Tientsin.

Mr. P. E. O'Brien-Baile to be his Majesty's Consul-General for the Province of Szechuen, to reside at Hongkong.

Mr. R. H. Mortimore to be his Majesty's Consul for the Prefecture of Tengchow Fu, in the Province of Shantung, to reside at Chefoo.

Mr. E. T. C. Werner to be his Majesty's Consul for the Consular District of Kinkiang, to reside at Kinkiang.

Mr. A. J. Sandius to be his Majesty's Consul for the Consular District of Amoy, to reside at Amoy.

Mr. W. J. Clennell to be his Majesty's Consul for the Prefecture of Chin Chow, and for that portion of the Prefecture of Feng T'ien south of the northern boundary of the District of Hai Ch'eng, to reside at Newchwang.

Mr. H. Goffe to be his Majesty's Consul for the Consular District of Wuhu, to reside at Wuhu.

Mr. E. C. C. Wilton, C.M.G., to be his Majesty's Consul for the Consular District of Changsha, to reside at Changsha.

Mr. F. E. Williams to be his Majesty's Consul for the Consular District of Kiangchow and Pakhoi, to reside at Kiangchow.

Mr. B. G. Tourn to be his Majesty's Consul for the Consular District of Tengchow, to reside at Tengchow.

Mr. H. A. Ottewill, Mr. V. L. Savage, Mr. B. Giles, Mr. B. Twyman, Mr. S. F. Mayers, Mr. S. Barton, and Mr. J. L. Smith each to be one of his Majesty's Vice-Consuls in China.

HOME AND CHINA AFFAIRS.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, December 18th.

THE CHINA SOCIETY AND THE HONGKONG MEDICAL COLLEGE.

The lecture by Dr. Cantlie at the China Society on Medical Science in China was an interesting one in itself, last Thursday, but the most striking development in the evening's proceedings was the sudden passing of a resolution, on the instigation of Surgeon-General Ervatt, that the Colonial Secretary, Earl Crewe, should be approached by the Society and pressed to support the Medical College for Chinese in Hongkong. A mild protest from Mr. George Jamieson on the ground that there is already a Hongkong movement, backed by numerous influential men, with a similar object in view, was met with a vigorous rejoinder from the proposer of the motion, who thought charitable methods were slow and it was the duty of the Society to urge the Government to do their duty to the Colony. Surgeon-General Ervatt spoke of the excellent work done in India on similar lines of native training and said he believed there was a fine field for such activity in Hongkong. After that the Society passed the resolution without protest. Time alone will tell whether anything will come of the project. It is to go before the Council of the Society before any move is made towards stirring up the Colonial Office. Personally, I fancy there is not much sympathy with more subsidies in Government circles just now, though Earl Crewe is a man of broad views and will give the idea careful consideration, without a doubt, if it is put to him.

Sir Patrick Manson, formerly of Hongkong but now the great authority on tropical ailments, made an excellent chairman, and he smiled with pleasant reminiscence when Mr. George Jamieson recalled their meeting long ago in Formosa when Sir Patrick's fees were infinitely smaller than they are now, but when life was no less worth living.

DR. CANTLIE'S LECTURE.

The lecture was illustrated by a number of lantern slides on which Dr. Cantlie passed rapid comments as they were shown on the screen. The time was the only failure, for it gave out before the lecturer had come to the end of his subject or exhausted the fund of his reminiscences.

He traced briefly the origin of the Chinese and the Mongols and drew some interesting comparisons between their physical and mental characteristics and those of the Western races—mainly to the advantage of the Chinese. For instance, their brains were larger and they were more lithe in body and more finely limbed. The peculiarity of the almond eyes of the Oriental he attributed to centuries of non-development of the bridge of the nose.

Chinese medical science stretched far back into the past, from the time when Hua To introduced his own method of treating abdominal complaints by operation, and invented for the purpose medical washes and medicated threads. He also started trepanning until a General on whom he proposed to operate in that way came to the conclusion that he was dangerous and had him beheaded. Other ancient surgeons who drew up theories of the pulses and the different treatment of male and female patients came under review, and qualified approval was given to their ingenuity.

The lecturer commented on the ease with which an ignorant man might set up as a practitioner in China. He instanced a coolie at a hospital which he knew who on being dismissed made up a lotion of his own concoction and gained a practice as a specialist on the eye.

The Chinese were, above all, specialists in their own branch of surgery. He knew of one case where a patient went to a Chinese surgeon and the outer circle of the skin was removed, whereupon the surgeon dismissed the patient with the remark that he must now go to another specialist whose part it was to deal with the inner outside.

Accompanying the views on the screen Dr. Cantlie commented on views of various European medical institutions in Canton, Peking, and also on some of the appliances used by Chinese surgeons. At length he announced that his time was up without the subject being exhausted, but he wound up with the assurance to a number of Chinese present that he had no intention of poking fun at the Chinese intelligence, for which he had the highest respect. It was a matter that balanced itself, for what seemed curious to us in the East could be equally by what in ourselves and our habits seemed curious to the Oriental.

Sir Patrick Manson confirmed the view as to the brain power of the Chinese, and also their conscientious attention to the minute of their work. Whatever quackery in Chinese medical life appeared food for laughter could easily be mistaken in Western lands. He too was in favour of training the Chinese in British medical scientific methods so that the British scientific terms should become as familiar to the Chinese as in Japan German scientific terms were familiar.

Touching upon some of the customs of China Sir Patrick mentioned funeral customs and the Chinese saying that "medicine will cure a man who is not fated to die." He remembered a patient of his who must have been fated to die, for he passed away in spite of all attentions, and as he was rich his funeral procession passed the surgery windows every day for a week—a reminder that grew tiresome.

Sir Patrick incidentally gave a qualified promise to some day give a lecture on the subject of which he knows more than anyone—the origin and treatment of malaria.

I ought to add that the Carlton Hall was again full for this lecture and the interest in the China Society is evidently on the increase. The honorary secretaries, Messrs. Byron Brennan, Mr. Ivan Chen, are to be congratulated on the happy opening of the session.

LOCAL SPORT.

Club Secretaries will oblige by sending in lists of teams on Thursday as, owing to China New Year, there will be no publication of the *Daily Press* on Saturday.

FOOTBALL NOTES.

The League engagements are still going on swimmingly and we have now a strong body in the Colony, who have proved that Footballers in years gone by have not been catered for as they should have been. On Monday evening the usual weekly meeting of the League Committee was well attended. The most important event was the reading of a letter from the *Hongkong Daily Press*, offering a magnificent Cup for competition, the winner of the League to hold the Cup for one year. The Cup must be won three years in succession before it becomes the property of any club. The Committee unanimously agreed to accept the Cup and instructed the Secretary to write to the *Hongkong Daily Press* and thank them on behalf of the League for their most generous gift. They were agreed that this mark of appreciation of the League would give the needed fillip to the new association.

The Secretary of the League is now looking for funds to purchase medals for the winners of the League and says he is sure he will be able to get them as there is little doubt that the public appreciate the efforts of the Committee to promote football in Hongkong. He also informs me that the League intend to call a meeting of all Footballers in the Colony to discuss the advisability of forming a Hongkong Football Association, to be affiliated to the English Football Association, to govern the game in the Colony. I agree with him; this is a step in the right direction. If the delegates agree to this proposal, then we shall have a body of men who will settle all disputes, that may arise and then Shanghai will be sure of getting an interport game.

Turning to the Interport match that should have been, but also owing to some one's blunder has had to be abandoned, I heartily sympathise with the Shanghai Footballers, who had made preparations to give the Hongkong players a hearty welcome. The failure to send a representative eleven is a slur on the Colony and the question I would like to have answered is: "Did the Shanghai Club send an invitation to the Hongkong Football Club to send a team, or to the Colony? If they sent to the Club, well let the Hongkong Club take the blame for the slight. If the invitation was for a colonial team why was the matter not handed over to the League Committee? Perhaps some official of the Club can give us the information. It is high time things were put on a more satisfactory basis. Certainly it must be remembered that the League at present is the voice of the Footballer of Hongkong.

The League engagements for Saturday were all completed successfully. The winners scored 16 goals and had none scored against them. The Buifs are creating records. They have scored 23 goals in three matches, with none scored against them. They beat the B.O.C. easily 7-0. The B.O.C. as usual, put up a plucky fight against a much cleverer and heavier team. Give the B.O.C. another two years' experience and we shall have another strong team in Hongkong. The Y.M.C.A. civilian team in Hongkong, the Y.M.C.A. of the Lusitania by 5-0. The easily disposed of the Buifs and Storrie and Clements. The R.G.A. beat the Naval Yard 4-0. It was a hard fought game. The Yardies, although they lost, played hard to the finish. The fault seemed to be with the Yard forwards and halves. They did not seem to get going at all. On the other hand the Gunners were particularly strong in all departments. If they can turn out the same team on Saturday when they meet the redoubtable Buifs, the Hongkong public will see one of the best games that has ever been witnessed in this Colony. They are to meet at 2.30 p.m. on Military Ground. I rather fancy a 1-1 draw. However, we shall see. Both teams are going strong for the Championship. Another surprise was to see the R.A.M.C. come out of their dispensaries full of fight with a strong team. Judging from their display, they have now got together a strong combination. Things are certainly going well, and although they were minus some of their best players, on Saturday I expect to have seen an easier win.

Saturday's list of games should prove very interesting. I have already referred to the meeting of the Buifs and the R.G.A. The Y.M.C.A. meet R.E. I am told Y.M.C.A. have secured one or two new players and are likely to have a strong team out on Saturday. I hope so. They have been very poor lately. The other game will be R.A.M.C. v. Lusitania, R.A.M.C. should get two points.

The League Committee decided to let the Naval Yard and B.O.C. play off their shield tie on Saturday on the Naval ground at 2.30. Sapper Heigh will officiate as referee. This will be the first game of the Shield. The fortunate teams who drew byes were the R.G.A. Y.M.C.A. *King Alfred*. I fancy we shall see the R.E., Kents and Naval Yard and certainly the Buifs in the second round. The teams have some hard work in front of them with Shield ties and League games. The Y.M.C.A. from all accounts will be the strongest civilian team. Discussion in the Club ranks will, I am afraid, see them out in the first round.

REFEREE.

CRICKET NOTES.

The matches played last Saturday have not altered the aspect of the League, with the exception that Telegraphs had to go down a notch, leaving Hongkong "A" and "B" and the Civil Service well away from any of their opponents. "B" occupies the place of honour with an unbeaten record, "A" and the Civil Service being each one match down. This will probably be the position at the end of the season.

Hongkong "B" played Kowloon and though not inflicting quite so crushing a defeat as in their previous match still won by a comfortable margin. As usual, Dick Hancock and Pearce made good scores, getting 43 and 35 respectively. Harry Hancock, who has not done much this season, came out of his shell and scored 45 not out. The totals were "B" 183 for 6 and Kowloon all out 97.

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Civil Service played R.G.A. on the Military ground and won easily. The Artillerymen never seemed quite at home with the willow and were all out for 108. Brett and Hutchison sharing the bowling honours. Capt. Beasley's 28 not out was the best effort for R.G.A. For the Civil Service Wicheil and Raven scored 60 before a separation was effected and Phelps, who relieved Raven, assisted Wicheil to make the remaining 49. The latter carried his bat for 57 and Phelps for 21.

Hongkong "A" beat the Telegraphs rather easily. Turner's score of 110 not out showed that he has lost none of his old form and made Peake's bowling look rather awkward. Makin made a useful 52 and secured four wickets for 50. Maundrell got four for 26. The totals were "A" 224 for five wickets against 92 all out.

The Engineers and Craigengower played a drawn game. Power scoring his first century in fine style. The latter team took the R.E.'s rather cheaply and were lucky in averting defeat, being without Lamert, Evans and Manderson. The totals were R.E. 6 for 174 against 6 for 129.

It is interesting to compare the results of matches in competitions of this kind. For instance R.G.A. gave the "B" team an anxious time for the first five wickets in their match a few Saturdays ago with a much weaker bowler combination than the present one. In the Civil Service, a distinctly inferior batting side to the "B" team, win their match by nine wickets. Again Civil Service got badly beaten by the Telegraphs last month and get the best of a drawn game against the "A" team the following Saturday. Now the "A" team give the Telegraphs a bad drubbing by five wickets and 132 runs. Similar results have characterised cricket from its infancy. Given a number of teams only fairly evenly matched and it is impossible to predict with any degree of certainty how any game will terminate.

The matches arranged for this week end are:—
Kowloon v. Police—22nd inst.
Craigengower v. Kowloon—23rd inst.
Telegraphs v. Police—23rd inst.
Civil Service v. R.G.A.—23rd inst.

Kowloon have a much stronger side on paper than the custodians of the law, but Kerr, the Police trundler, is a bowler above the average and may do some damage. Then again, one never knows what Edwards will do with the bat. He has made several good scores this season and appears to be in form. Kowloon and Craigengower should put up a very even game and one feels difficulty in predicting the result. The latter are surely the more consistent side. On the other hand the Kowloonites should have the benefit of the previous day's play with the Police, and will probably win. The last match between Telegraphs and the Police was won by the latter, but it looked a fluke and it is possible the position will be reversed with interest on Saturday. Civil Service meet their last Saturday opponents and notwithstanding their easy win, the R.G.A. bowlers may get better luck and should they also reverse their previous result it will be no surprise to us.

UMPIRE.

The League fixtures this week are:

22nd—Kowloon v. Police.

23rd—Craigengower v. Kowloon.

Telegraphs v. Police.

Civil Service v. R.G.A.

CRAGENGOWER C.C.'S PAVILION.

The new pavilion of Craigengower Cricket Club will be formally opened on Saturday at about 4 p.m. (after the first innings in the Craigengower-Kowloon Cricket League match). Mrs. B. E. Bellios has kindly consented to perform the ceremony.

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Council General WILDER has kindly consented to take the Chair.

Hongkong, 20th January, 1909. [211]

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SANITARY BOARD ELECTION. TO THE ELECTORS.

GENTLEMEN.—Having been invited by an influential deputation to offer myself as a candidate, and having a personal desire to place my services at the disposal of the Colony in any matter conducive to its welfare, I beg to solicit your support at the coming Election.

Although I have only been resident in the Colony for five years, my business in the management of a large quantity of Chinese property has given me a very considerable insight into the working of the Sanitary Regulations of the Colony.

While I shall support the Government in any fresh regulations they may consider necessary to the sanitation of the Colony I shall always reserve to myself absolute freedom of criticism and, as far as possible, bring before the consideration of the Board the wishes of the Electors.

I have no medical or other special knowledge of Sanitation, and I think you will agree with me that such knowledge is quite unnecessary in the two members to be elected on Wednesday as the medical profession is already fully and most excellently represented on the Board, but I shall hope to approach the consideration of all subjects before the Board with business-like common-sense, with due regard to vested interests and using every effort to see that the Administration of the Sanitary Regulations be carried out with efficiency and with the least possible inconvenience to the inhabitants of the Colony.

Your Obedient Servant,
HORACE PERCY SMITH,
5, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 18th January, 1909. [209]

SANITARY BOARD ELECTION.

TO THE ELECTORS OF HONGKONG.

GENTLEMEN.—In submitting my name as a candidate for one of the two vacant seats on the Sanitary Board, I beg to lay before you the following points for your special consideration.

Firstly, that from my professional training I am specially qualified in hygiene and sanitation and have had to obtain proficiency in the preventive as well as the curative side of medicine, and whereas, in many cases, too much attention is paid to the latter to the neglect of the former, I am able to show that I have been at some pains to obtain special training in this branch.

Not content with having attained honours in the course delivered at Edinburgh University in 1903, I took later an advanced postgraduate course in Hygiene and Sanitation especially suited to conditions which prevail in warm and tropical climates. This course was delivered by Professor Simpson, so well-known in Hongkong, and consisted of the expert members of the late Inquiry Commission sent out from England at the request of the public to investigate into the needs and requirements of the Colony from a Sanitarian point of view, and who was thus enabled to embody his Hongkong experiences in the course which I had the honour to attend.

Secondly, that as a practitioner in Hongkong, I shall be more especially interested in the health of Members of the Community, and would be more closely brought in touch with cases of disease in the localities in which they are bred.

Thirdly, it is not only as a doctor that I lay claim to your vote, but as a man who has, and can have no personal axe to grind, and who will in consequence have the best interests of the Colony at heart, adapting professional knowledge to local conditions, and not giving countenance to schemes of theory and experiment unpractical in these days of financial depression.

Lastly, should you do me the honour to elect me to the post which I seek, I will endeavour to devote my energies faithfully and tactfully to the performance of the duties which the position requires.

I have the honour to be,
Your Obedient Servant,
GERARD H. L. FITZWILLIAMS,
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31, Queen's Road.

Hongkong, 16th January, 1909. [207]

SANITARY BOARD ELECTION.

TO THE ELECTORS OF HONGKONG.

GENTLEMEN.—I have the honour to come before you as a candidate for a seat on the Sanitary Board of this Colony and to solicit your kind support.

As a member of the general public and a ratepayer, I am fully aware of the importance to my fellow colonists of whatever nationality and status, of the opportunity afforded to the unofficial members of the Sanitary Board. Questions of Public Health affect us all, and legislation on Public Health matters have often a more far-reaching effect than can be anticipated by those more directly concerned in the framing of our laws. I am now in medical practice in Hongkong and anticipate making this my home for many years to come. I am therefore personally interested in the prosperity of our Colony. I consider that much can be done by a member of the Sanitary Board by the study of the needs of the various Sections of Community and by the fullest discussion at Board meetings to help the Government to frame wise measures, which, while they may impose restrictions which shall be borne by all in the interests of all, should be reasonable and well considered.

I am in favour of economy with efficiency and am alive to the pressing necessity of such. In the Colony's history in the past, it is well known that large sums of public money have been unnecessarily expended through the hurried acceptance of ideas, which, could on more careful consideration have well borne much modification.

As a member of the medical profession, I venture to remind you that I shall be able to bring to bear on Public Health questions some critical knowledge of such matters.

Should I receive the honour of election at your hands I should not forget the duty I owe to the electors. I shall have their interests at heart and shall, by ever keeping before me the ideal of the present and future well-being of the Colony at the present and future is the goal to which we should all work, endeavour always to merit the trust reposed in me.

I have the honour to be, Gentlemen,
Your most Obedient Servant,
R. A. BELLIOS, M.D., F.R.C.S. (Ed.).

Hongkong, 18th January, 1909. [208]

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SANITARY BOARD ELECTION. TO THE ELECTORS OF HONGKONG.

GENTLEMEN.—The term of office for which you elected me as one of your representatives on the Sanitary Board in 1906 being about to expire, I beg to offer myself as candidate for a re-election.

In seeking your suffrages on the previous occasion, I did so from a conviction that, if I were elected to the Board, I would, by a close investigation of the administration of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinances, be able to bring to light not only irregularities of a very serious nature but such a harsh and impolitic administration of the law as to render residence in this Colony for the Chinese, especially the middle classes, nearly unbearable, in addition to which the wealthy Chinese, who had been in the habit of investing large amounts of money in landed property, ceased doing so, thereby causing a great depreciation in that class of securities, which naturally reflected on the Government by reducing the amount payable by way of rates, and so destroying that confidence they hitherto had in the Government administration of property laws.

The Commission, so far as the administration was concerned, pointed out its weak points and recommended certain remedies and an alteration of the law.

In many points the administration has been greatly improved; but as to the alteration of the law, which was contrary to that recommended by the Commission, I regret to say that the transfer of a great part of the administration from the Sanitary Board to the Building Authority, which now does not undergo the scrutiny of a Public Board, has, to my mind, not been attended with success.

The instance alone of about one hundred prosecutions undertaken against persons for not carrying out notices of the Building Authority, and which it was evident could not be complied within the specified time on account of all the workmen available being engaged in making good typhoon damage, is a sufficient indication that the bureaucratic administration of the Building Authority is worse than that of a Public Board.

My endeavour in the past has been to approach every question submitted to the Board with an entirely open mind, giving judgment thereon after every consideration of it from its hygienic, financial and general public aspect.

I have without fear or favour freely criticised the Government, its policy and the conduct of its officers, and I purpose continuing the same policy. If you are satisfied with it and return me again as your representative, I should continue to do my best in the future as I have done in the past.

I am, Gentlemen,
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Hongkong, 15th November, 1908. [210]

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Hongkong, 18th January, 1909. [202]

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

ANNUAL SHOW.

THE FLOWER and VEGETABLE SHOW will be held on the 26th and 27th February, in the BOTANIC GARDENS.

Intending Exhibitors should send in their entries to the Hon. Secretary not later than 18th February.

Copies of the Rules and Schedule may be obtained from the Hon. Secretary.

L. GIBBS, No. 6, Beaconfield Arcade, Hongkong, 14th January, 1909. [186]

NOTICE.

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W. H. HAO, Manager, The Imperial Chinese Telegraph Administration, Hongkong, 15th January, 1909. [193]

Sanitary Board Office, Hongkong.

TO THE OWNERS OF DOMESTIC BUILDINGS.

TAKE NOTICE that under No. 5 of the DOMESTIC CLEANLINESS and VENTILATION BYLAW (as amended), every domestic building or part of such building within the CENTRAL Division of the City of Victoria and the WESTERN Division of Kowloon, occupied by members of more than one family, except those within the European Reservation or in Kowloon South of Austin Road or those parts of a domestic Building used as a shop, Office or Godown, must be CLEANSED and LIMEWASHED THROUGHOUT by the owners during the month of December and January.

N.B.—The word "throughout" used in this notice means that the houses shall be limewashed in respect of all the Walls of each Room, all Cubicles, Partitions, Stair Casings and Stair Linings, all Ceilings and the undersides of Roofs in Main Buildings, Offices and Servants' quarters and Inclusive of Verandahs.

The backyard must have its containing walls limewashed up to the level of the first floor.

Good condition, however, need not be limewashed, but must be cleaned.

The Central Division of the City lies between Gilman Street and Peel Street on the East and Tank Lane and Cleverly Street on the West.

Kowloon is divided into the Eastern and Western Divisions by Robinson Road and a straight line drawn from the North and thereof through the Yau-mai Service Reservoir to the Northern boundary of Kowloon.

The Government Limewashing Contractor is prepared to cleanse and limewash floors at the rate of \$1.00 per floor on application being made to the Secretary of the Sanitary Board.

A. GIBSON, Secretary.

Dated this 4th day of January, 1909. [160]

THE YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION, LIMITED.

SHARE CERTIFICATE No. 4/448 representing 8 Shares of THE YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION, LIMITED, registered in the name of HOW CHONG (何鴻) has been declared to be LOST.

This is to Give Notice that if the above mentioned Certificate be not presented at this Office within One Month from Date, a New Certificate will be issued in place thereof.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. S. JACKSON, Secretary.

No. 25, The Bund, Shanghai, 13th January, 1909. [206]

AUCTION

PUBLIC AUCTION

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE GOVERNMENT, TO-MORROW (THURSDAY), the 21st January, 1909, at 10.30 A.M. at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, corner of Lee House Street, SUNDRY VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

Comprising—TEAKWOOD HATSTAND with BEVELLED GLASS, DRAWING ROOM SUITE, CUPBOARD, EXTENSION DINING TABLE and CHAIRS, GLASS CROCKERY and E.P. WARE, ENGRAVINGS, PLUSH COVERED PIANO STOOL, AMERICAN LADY'S DESK with BEVELLED GLASS, BRASS MOUNTED DOUBLE BEDSTEADS and BEDDING, TEAKWOOD BUREAU and WARDROBES, BEVELLED GLASS, MARBLE TOP W. S. STAND, ELECTRIC CHANDELIERS and CEILING FANS, 1 GRAPHOPHONE and RECORDS, COOKING STOVE and UTENSILS, &c., &c., &c.

Also One IRON SAFE by Philip & Sons, Birmingham.

On view on WEDNESDAY afternoon. Catalogue will be issued.

Terms—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers, Hongkong, 18th January, 1909. [203]

PUBLIC COMPANIES

THE HONGKONG LAND RECLAMATION COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the EIGHTH ORDINARY MEETING of Shareholders in this Company will be held at the Company's Offices, Victoria Buildings, on THURSDAY, the 28th January, 1909, at 11.15 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1908.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 14th January, 1909. [188]

THE WEST POINT BUILDING CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-FIRST ORDINARY MEETING of Shareholders in this Company will be held at the Company's Offices, Victoria Buildings, on THURSDAY, the 28th January, 1909, at 11.30 o'clock A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1908.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER, Secretary to the Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Company, Limited.

Hongkong, 12th January, 1909. [178]

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-THIRD ORDINARY MEETING of Shareholders in this Company will be held at the Company's Offices, Victoria Buildings, on THURSDAY, the 28th January, 1909, at 12 o'clock NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1908.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED on TUESDAY, the 19th January to THURSDAY, the 28th Jan. (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER, Secretary to the Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Company, Limited.

Hongkong, 12th January, 1909. [179]

CAMPBELL, MOORE & CO., LD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-SECOND ORDINARY MEETING of Shareholders in this Company will be held at the GENERAL MANAGERS' Office, Second floor, 8A, Des Vaux Road, on FRIDAY, the 29th January, 1909, at 2.30 o'clock P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 31st December, 1907.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from 22nd January to 29th January (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered.

For the Board of Directors,
A. F. ARCULLI, Secretary.

Hongkong, 14th January, 1909. [199]

A BOON TO HONGKONG LADIES!

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Hongkong, 18th January, 1909. [41]

TO LET

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Apply to—Linstead & Davis, Hongkong, 5th January, 1909. [141]

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BANKS

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS, BERLIN.

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Manager.

Hongkong, 4th December, 1907. [24]

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AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.
HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.PAID-UP CAPITAL £1,200,000
RESERVE FUND £1,250,000
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at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily
balances.On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 4 per cent.
for 6 months 3½ per cent.
for 3 months 3 per cent.JOHN ARMSTRONG,
Manager.

Hongkong, 14th May, 1908. [12]

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF
INDIA, LIMITED.AUTHORISED CAPITAL £1,500,000
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PAID-UP 562,500
RESERVE FUND 210,000

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at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the
Daily balance.On Fixed Deposits:
For 12 months 4 per cent.
For 6 months 3½ per cent.
For 3 months 3 per cent.EVAN ARMSTRONG,
Manager.

Hongkong, 23rd April 1908. [23]

THE
YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK
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HEAD OFFICE—YOKOHAMA.

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On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent.
per annum on the daily balance.On fixed deposits for 12 months 5 per cent.
for 6 months 4½ per cent.
for 3 months 4 per cent.TAKAO TAKAMICHI,
Manager.

Hongkong, 12th September, 1908. [524]

NEDERLANDSCHE HANDEL-
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ESTABLISHED 1824.PAID UP CAPITAL FL. 45,000,000 (£3,750,000)
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balances.On Fixed Deposits 12 months 4½ per cent.
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J. L. VAN HOUTEN, Agent.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1908. [25]

BANKS

INTERNATIONAL BANKING
CORPORATION.CAPITAL PAID UP...Gold \$3,250,000,
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For 12 months 4½ per cent. per annum.
For 6 months 4 per cent. per annum.
For 3 months 3½ per cent. per annum.No. 9, Queen's Road, Central, Hongkong.
W. M. ANDERSON,
Manager.

Hongkong, 8th April, 1908. [1466]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.PAID-UP CAPITAL...\$15,000,000
RESERVE FUNDS—
STERLING £1,500,000 at 2/6=\$15,000,000
SILVER \$14,000,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS \$15,000,000

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BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.
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For 3 months 2½ per cent. per annum.
For 6 months 3 per cent. per annum.
For 12 months 4 per cent. per annum.J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 22nd August, 1908. [20]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

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per cent. per annum.Depositors may transfer at their option
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SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED
DEPOSIT at 4 per cent. per annum.For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 12th January, 1907. [21]

NEDERLANDSCH-INDISCHE
HANDELSBANK.(NETHERLANDS INDIA COMMERCIAL BANK).
ESTABLISHED 1863.Authorised Capital FL. 15,000,000 (£1,250,000)
Subscribed Capital FL. 10,000,000 (Paid up)
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12 months 4½ per cent.
6 months 4 per cent.
3 months 3½ per cent.C. WOLDRING, Manager.
No. 16, Des Vaux Road Central.
Hongkong, 3rd November, 1908. [26]

THE BANK OF TAIWAN, LIMITED.

(INCORPORATED BY SPECIAL IMPERIAL
CHARTER).Capital Subscribed (paid up) Yen 5,000,000
Reserve Fund Yen 1,140,000

HEAD OFFICE: TAIPEH, FORMOSA.

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Swatow.HONGKONG OFFICE:
3, DES Vaux ROAD.
Interest allowed on Current Accounts
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on application.D. TOHDOW, Manager.
Hongkong, 16th September, 1908. [1513]SANG MOW.
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Hongkong, 20th February, 1908. [401]

THE BURNS-JOHNSON FIGHT.

FULL ACCOUNT.

Australian papers which arrived by the mail
yesterday give details of the fight which took
place at Sydney on Boxing day for the world's
championship. The following extracts are from
the report of the Sydney Morning Herald of
December 28th:For the first time in its history, the world has
a black boxing champion. Jack Johnson defeated
the holder of the championship, Tommy Burns,
at the stadium on December 28th gaining a
decision after the police had stopped the fight in the
fourteenth round.Johnson won in every department of the game
and at every stage of the fight. He represents a
class in himself. Burns was very badly punished
while Johnson was unmarked and practically
unhit. The decision was received with marked
disappointment by the 20,000 people present.
The admission money amounted to over £26,000.Except to those who had seen the remarkable
capacity of Burns for taking punishment in his
fight with Squires, the issue was not in doubt
from the first clash of blows. Within five seconds
of the commencement Johnson clipped Burns a
nasty right uppercut on the chin, knocking him
down, and keeping him on the floor for six
seconds. A few moments later he sent the cham-
pion to the boards again, and from this out
Burns was hopelessly outclassed. Every round
terminated in favour of the negro, and long
before the police entered the ring in the four-
teenth round, and compelled a cessation of hos-
tilities, Burns was plainly a beaten man. Through-
out, however, he displayed the courage and
capacity for taking punishment, which did
much to soften the blows which Johnson deliv-
ered not only to his adversary but to the spec-
tators, nearly every one of whom was obviously
in sympathy with the white man.Johnson throughout fought a fair and manly
battle, albeit it was contested by both men in
accordance with the American practice of hit-
ting freely in clinches; but, unfortunately, his
fine boxing was disfigured by a display of bomb-
ast that is happily seldom seen in any sporting
arena.The weights were given, Johnson, 13st 7lb.
Burns, 12st 6lb, but Burns explains that his
actual weight was 11st 12lb, whereas he had
hoped to enter the ring at his usual fighting
weight of 12st 6lb to 12st 8lb.In the Squires fight Burns would anticipate
attack by striking Squires softly on the biceps
of the hitting arm, thus taking all the fire out
of the blow. On Saturday Burns found that
Johnson was a master of this ruse as well, and,
having the longer reach, was able to checkmate
every attack.JOHNSON'S "MODERATION."
Johnson was greatly the superior of Burns;
in fact, it seemed possible that he could have
beaten him in half the time had he so chosen.
Instead of doing so he protracted the combat,
apparently that he might enjoy the more the
discomfiture of his opponent. His superiority
as a boxer was undeniable, and his height and
strength served him in good stead. All the
little tricky movements by which Burns suc-
ceeded in landing short stabbing body blows on
Squires were circumvented on this occasion by
sheer force of muscle. When Burns's arm looked
his own in a clinch, so that he could not deliver
a blow, Johnson simply shifted it to where he
wanted it, and then struck. Summed up, the
position was that, in a fighting, Burns could
not reach Johnson, while every time they got
into holds, he received one or more solid punches
before they broke free, and was himself power-
less to display his ability in the line of boxing
in which he had hitherto been regarded as pre-
eminent.Most of the fighting was done in clinches.
As a display by Johnson, it was magnificent,
but it was not war according to the Marquis of
Queensberry. The game is divested of the
greater part of the grace and movement which
characterised it in this country a year or two
ago, and under the new conditions the battle is
back, and under the new conditions the battle is
largely to the strong. This is not to say that
Burns would have done any better had the rules
been interpreted according to the old reading.
In fact, the chances are that under such circum-
stances the fight would have been over much
sooner. From the fifth round onward, Burns
fought with a sprained ankle, but this
seemed to affect him but little, for even
in the closing rounds his footwork was ex-
cellent, and his police perfect even when the
upper part of his frame was manifestly weak.BURNS OUTCLASSED.
From beginning to end, Burns did not get
what is known as a look-in. As he prevailed
over Squires by a system of fighting new to
Australia, so did Johnson beat him by the same
tactics. Those who saw Burns for the first
time on Saturday must have left the stadium
convinced that he knew not even the rudiments
of pugilism at close quarters, while after the
contest with Squires everybody looked upon
him as the last word in the art.For twelve rounds the fight continued, with
Johnson ascending, and still ascending. His
superior reach enabled him to touch Burns in
vulnerable points, where a smaller man would
have been powerless.Burns got in a few short hits on the negro's
body, but they lacked force, and, in the words of
nearly everybody present, the whole contest was
just what might have been expected had the
contestants been a man and a school boy.
Johnson simply toyed with Burns, and the latter
was beaten at every point of the game.Up to the twelfth round Burns, despite his
terrible punishment, was remarkably fresh, and
his foot work was delightful. But towards
the end of the round Johnson roughed him
into a corner, and delivered three swing-
ing blows in succession. One caught Burns
on the ribs, and the others on the face, and how
he felt their effect was shown when he came to
his corner at the round's end.The fight really ended in the thirteenth round.
Johnson opened it by scoring solid face and
body blows, followed by half a dozen of his
favorite slaps over the lower part of the back,
when Burns clinched for safety. As they broke
he swung a strong left on Burns's ear, which
sent him staggering, and, seeing his advantage,
Johnson dashed in, and before Burns could shape
again delivered a left on the abdomen and one
of his cleaver right crosses on the jaw. Burns
shook to the feet like a reed on the wind. His
knees trembled, and the negro swung another
solid left on his neck. There was a clench, a
break away, and as Burns seemed likely to fall
from sheer weakness, the gong sounded and
saved him.POLICE INTERVENE.
In the interval Superintendent Mitchell and
Dr. Matland were seen in consultation, and the
moment the fourteenth round opened, the
former moved up to the ringside. Johnson lost
no time, and as he hit Burns a light blow
on the head, he clinched. When the re-
feree, Mr. McIntosh, broke them, Burns away-
ed on his feet like a drunken man. Johnson
stepped in and measured him. Johnson
delivered a heavy blow on his ear. Burns dropped
his hands. He was like a condemned prisoner
awaiting the headman, and Johnson was just
as pitiless. With all his force, he threw
in blows of great weight. One would have
knocked Burns down, but before he had timeto fall, the impact of the other made him
recover his balance. A moment later a right
swing on the jaw sent down Burns for eight
seconds. As they came together again, John-
son swung a heavy-sounding left on Burns's
mouth, and the champion tottered again. Then
a third party took a hand in the affair; the
law stepped into the ring in the person of the
police officer.Burns was led to his corner. Mr. McIntosh
awarded the fight to Johnson on points.THE WORLD'S TALKING CHAMPIONSHIP.
It is a thousand pities that Johnson should
not have been content to let his boxing tell
its own tale. He is so fine a fighter that ad-
vertisement is unnecessary, and people who
attend fights appreciate the points of the game
without having their attention directed to them
by the author. Johnson acted in direct op-
position to the pugilistic axiom that a fighter
should keep silent while in the ring. He
kept up a running fire of "well-chosen" re-
marks during the whole 14 rounds of fight—
remarks either directly insulting to Burns or
intended to express indirect contempt. Johnson
was obviously the superior of Burns in physique,
skill and tactics, but had he been as superior as
he was plainly convinced in his own mind he
was, it would have required a battleship and not
a man to defeat him.The only apparent effect of the blows that
Burns aimed was a broad grin from a mouthful
of gold teeth, and either an invitation to show
what he could do or a nod to an imaginary ac-
quaintance in the crowd. "Come on Tommy,"
said Johnson. "I thought you were a great
fighter, Tommy. Let's see what you can do."
Huh! fight Tommy? Ain't I clever, eh? The
last of the crowd, and everybody present was
agreed as to his cleverness, it was plain that
not an admirer present thought Johnson half
as clever as he thought himself.HOW TO BE BEAUTIFUL—Keep your com-
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Charmant will enable you to do it. Her
Specialties for the Skin are the study of a
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INSURANCES

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SURANCE CO.
OF AIX-LA-CHAPELLE.THE Undersigned, having been appointed
AGENTS for the above Company, are
prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE
at Current Rates.WM. MEYERINK & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 5th September, 1908. [120]

THE GLOBUS INSURANCE COMPANY
OF HAMBURG.THE Undersigned, having been appointed
AGENTS for the above Company, are
prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE
at Current Rates.CARLOWITZ & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 13th August 1906. [28]

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCAN-
TILE INSURANCE COMPANY.TOTAL FUNDS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1907
£18,114,624.Authorised Capital £3,000,000
Subscribed Capital 2,750,000
Paid-up Capital 697,500 0 0
II. Fire Funds 3,065,374 15 7The Undersigned, AGENTS for the above
Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS
against FIRE at Current Rates.SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 21st July, 1908. [1019]

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SECTIONS.

From Green Island to the Harbour Master's. 2 From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier. 3 From Blake Pier to Naval Yard 4 From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG & REG	BIRTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON &c, via USUAL PORTS OF CALL	DELHI	Brit. str.	—	J. D. Andrews, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 23rd inst., at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP via SINGAPORE &c	SUNDA	Brit. str.	—	G. M. Montford, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 27th inst.
LONDON, ANTWERP & HAMBURG	CARNARVONSHIRE	Brit. str.	—	Wollenden	SHAW, TOMES & Co.	End of January.
GENOA, LONDON & ANTWERP	LENAYON	Brit. str.	—	Pors-lins	MCGIBSON BROS. & GOW	On 25th inst.
HARVE & HAMBURG via STRAITS, &c	ROSELONA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Peter	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 26th inst.
HARVE & HAMBURG via STRAITS, &c	AVONIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Wagner	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 23rd Febr.
HARVE & HAMBURG via STRAITS, &c	ADALSTIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Rebutat	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 27th Febr.
ROTTERDAM, BREMEN & HAMBURG, &c	C. FRED. LARSEN	Ger. str.	k.w.	C. D. Hennrich, R.N.R.	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 23rd inst.
MARSEILLES, HARVE & COPENHAGEN	VEDDO	Fr. str.	—	H. Petersen	MELCHERS & Co.	Middle of February.
MARSEILLES, &c, via PORTS OF CALL	ESKOMI	Brit. str.	—	F. L. Sommer	MELCHERS & Co.	On 2nd Febr., at 1 P.M.
MARSEILLES & LONDON via COLHAT	MACEDONIA	Brit. str.	—	E. Malchow	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 3rd Febr., at 1 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP via SINGAPORE &c	KAWACHI MARU	Jap. str.	—	G. Rott	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 26th inst.
GENOA, MARSEILLES, LONDON, & ANTWERP, &c	KAMO MARU	Jap. str.	—	Bartole	MELCHERS & Co.	On 27th inst., at Noon.
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERE, GIBRALTAR &c	P. E. FRIEDRICH	Ger. str.	—	SANDRE, WIELENS & Co.	MELCHERS & Co.	On 10th March.
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERE, GIBRALTAR, &c	PRINCESS ALICE	Ger. str.	—	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE		To-day.
TRIESTE, &c, via SINGAPORE, &c	PERIA	Aus. str.	—	ARMHOLD, KARNEGG & Co.		On 2nd Febr.
NEW YORK	ARAGONIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co.		On 13th Febr.
BOSTON & NEW YORK	HEADLINE	Brit. str.	2 m.	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co.		On 2nd March, at 7 A.M.
VANCOUVER via SHANGHAI JAPAN, &c	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	1 m.	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA		On 2nd Febr., at Noon.
VANCOUVER via SHANGHAI JAPAN, &c	MONTEAGUE	Brit. str.	1 m.	DODWELL & Co., LTD.		On 11th Febr.
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, &c	AXI MARU	Jap. str.	—	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA		On 16th Febr., at Noon.
VICTORIA, B.C. & TACOMA via JAPAN, &c	SUBSIC	Brit. str.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE		On 31st inst., at 4 P.M.
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, &c	ITO MARU	Jap. str.	1 m.	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA		On 2nd inst., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS via MANILA	CHANGHAI	Jap. str.	—	MELCHERS & Co.		On 28th inst., at 5 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS via MANILA	KUMANO MARU	Jap. str.	—	GHEE, LIVINGSTON		On 3rd Febr., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS via TIMOR, PORT DARWIN	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA		On 19th Febr., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS via MANILA	EASTERN	Brit. str.	—	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA		On 23rd inst., at 1 P.M.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	YAWATA MARU	Jap. str.	—	H. Kooops		Quick despatch.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	TAMBA MARU	Jap. str.	—	F. Wheeler	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LD	About 16th inst.
JAPAN	NIKKO MARU	Jap. str.	—	S. J. Olcott	DAVID SARGENT & Co., LD	To-morrow, at 3 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	TIMIKI	Dut. str.	—	Sandbach	DAVID SARGENT & Co., LD	To-day, at 2 P.M.
SHANGHAI	TEDDO	Dut. str.	—	T. Surges	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LD	To-day, at Noon.
SHANGHAI	KWONGSANG	Brit. str.	1 m.	W. Hayward, R.N.R.	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 26th inst., at 2 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	ANBU	Brit. str.	—	Habel	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-morrow, at 8 A.M.
SHANGHAI	CROYANG	Brit. str.	—	H. Kirschner	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	About 21st inst.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	CROSHU MARU	Jap. str.	—	J. C. Richards	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 27th inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	DEVANHA	Brit. str.	1 m.	G. Phillips	MELCHERS & Co.	About 28th inst.
SHANGHAI	CHENAN	Brit. str.	k.w.	Alland	MELCHERS & Co.	About 30th inst.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	SAKOWA	Ger. str.	1 m.	M. B. Lake	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LD	On 1st Febr., P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	P. R. LUTYDOL	Jap. str.	—	Malchow	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 4th Febr., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	MOTORI MARU	Ger. str.	—	de Brouwers	MELCHERS & Co.	On 10th Febr.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	NORE	Brit. str.	—	I. Sakurai	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	Quick despatch.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	SALAZIE	Fre. str.	—	J. W. Evans	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 22nd inst., at 8 A.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	NAMBAH	Brit. str.	—	Jameson	DOUTLAS LAPELLE & Co.	On 24th inst., at 9 A.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	DORTMUND	Ger. str.	5 w.	A. Somerville	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at Noon.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	CATHAY	Dut. str.	—	S. J. Payne	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LD	To-day, at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI	TIMAH	Dut. str.	—	R. W. Almond	SHAW, TOMES & Co.	To-morrow, at 5 P.M.
ANPING via SWATOW & AMOY	SHOSHU MARU	Jap. str.	2 h.	A. W. Outerbridge	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 26th inst., at 3 P.M.
TAMSUI via SWATOW & AMOY	DAIWIN MARU	Jap. str.	1 m.	P. H. Rolfe	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LD	On 28th inst., at 4 P.M.
SWATOW	HAINUN	Brit. str.	1 m.	B. Rodger	SHAW, TOMES & Co.	On 26th inst., at Noon.
HAIPHONG	SINGAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	G. H. Pennesfather	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow, at 4 P.M.
MANILA	TAMING	Brit. str.	—	F. Sembill	MELCHERS & Co.	Beginning of February.
MANILA	LONGSANG	Brit. str.	—	S. Sato	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 28th inst.
MANILA	RUBI	Brit. str.	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LD		On 9th Febr., at Noon.
MANILA	TRAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	Jurissac	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	Quick despatch.
MANILA	YUENSANG	Brit. str.	—			
MANILA	ZAFIRO	Brit. str.	—			
CEBU	SURGIKANG	Brit. str.	1 m.			
KUWAIT & BANTARAN	BORNEO	Ger. str.	—			
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE & COLOMBO	YEROFU MARU	Jap. str.	—			
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	POONBANG	Brit. str.	—			
BATAVIA, CHERIBON, SAMARANG, &c	TJILIWANG	Dut. str.	—			

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D. W. CHADDOCK, General Trade Agent for China,
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Hongkong, 8th January, 1909.

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PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL

STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
SHANGHAI	DEVANHA	About 21st Jan.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON VIA USUAL PORTS	DELHI	Noon, 23rd Jan.	See Special Advertisement.
LONDON and ANTWERP	SUNDA	About 27th Jan.	Freight and Passage.
ANG, COLOMBO PORT	Capt. G. M. Montford, R.N.R.		
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, NORE and YOKOHAMA	Capt. G. Phillips	About 30th Jan.	Freight and Passage.

For further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, 18th January, 1909.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
HAIPHONG	"SINGAN"	On 20th Jan., 10 A.M.
MANILA	"TAMING"	On 20th Jan., 3 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"ANHUI"	On 21st Jan., 4 P.M.
CEBU and ILOILO	"SUNGKIANG"	On 21st Jan., 4 P.M.
MANILA	"TEAN"	On 26th Jan., 3 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"CHENAN"	On 27th Jan., 4 P.M.

MANILA ZAMBOANGA, PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY, with Transshipment for TASMANIA, NEW ZEALAND, ADELAIDE, FREMANTLE and PERTH.

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MANILA STEAMERS & TIENTSIN STEAMERS have superior Passenger accommodation with Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in the State-rooms and Dining Saloon. AUSTRALIAN STEAMERS have superior accommodation with Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in the State-rooms. A fully qualified Surgeon is carried. Cargo booked through for all Australian, New Zealand and Tasmanian Ports.

SHANGHAI STEAMERS have good Saloon Passenger accommodation and take cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports. REDUCED SALOON FARES, SINGLE AND RETURN, TO MANILA AND AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

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HONGKONG, 20th January, 1909.

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HONGKONG-SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS.

HIGHEST CLASS—FASTEST AND MOST LUXURIOUS STEAMERS ON THE COAST, HAVING SPLENDID ACCOMMODATION FOR FIRST-CLASS PASSENGERS. ELECTRIC LIGHT AND FIRST-CLASS CUISINE.

STEAMERS	FOR	LEAVING
"HAIMUN"	SWATOW	WED'DAY, 20th Jan., at Noon.

For the convenience of passengers, steamers will arrive at, and depart from, the company's wharf (near Blake Pier).

For Freight and Passage apply to—

DOUGLAS, LAPRAIK & Co.,

GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 19th January, 1909.

INDO-CHINA S. NAV. CO., LD.

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI	"KWONGSANG"	Wed'day, 20th Jan., 3 P.M.
MANILA	"LOONGSANG"	Thursday, 21st Jan., 5 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"CHOYSANG"	Tuesday, 26th Jan., Noon.
MANILA	"YUENSANG"	Friday, 29th Jan., 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KORE & MOJI	"NAMSANG"	Thursday, 4th Febr., Noon.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"POOKSANG"	Tuesday, 9th Febr., Noon.

FOR THE MANILA CARNIVAL.

FEBRUARY 2ND TO 9TH, 1909.

A Special Reduced Fare of \$50 for Return Passengers will be issued for our sailings to Manila of the 29th January, and 5th February, available for 30 days from date of issue. Passengers taking out these tickets are exempt from the Head Tax.

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OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE BETWEEN HONGKONG SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS AND FORMOSA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	THE CO.'S S.S.	LEAVING
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW, "CHOSHUN MARU"	Capt. T. SURUGA	THURSDAY, 21st Jan., at 8 A.M.
AMOI & POCHOW		
ANPING VIA SWATOW, "SHOSHU MARU"	Capt. J. ICHIKI	FRIDAY, 22nd Jan., at 8 A.M.
AMOI		
AMOI VIA SWATOW, "DALIN MARU"	Capt. I. SAKURAI	SUNDAY, 24th Jan., at 9 A.M.
AMOI		

* These new Steamers have excellent accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers and are fitted throughout with Electric Light. First-class Cabins Amidships. Unrivaled Table.

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Hongkong, 19th January, 1909.

T. ARIMA, Manager

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NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

EXTRA PASSENGER SERVICE NEW STEAMERS—EUROPEAN LINE.

FOR GENOA, MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, SUEZ AND PORT SAID.

THE CO.'S NEWLY BUILT 9000 TONS PASSENGER STEAMERS WILL BE DESPATCHED FROM HONGKONG AS FOLLOWS:

KAMO MARU	(Capt. F. L. SOMMER)	On Tues. 26th Jan.
MISHIMA MARU	(Capt. A. E. MOSES)	On Wed. 10th Feb.
MIYASAKI MARU	()	About Wed. 24th Mar.
ATSUTA MARU	()	About Wed. 21st April.

CHEAPEST PASSAGE RATES TO EUROPE AND AROUND-THE-WORLD.

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Hongkong, 7th January, 1909.



NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.)

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

DESTINATIONS.	STEAMERS.	TONS.	SAILING DATES.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, and PORT SAID	KAWACHI MARU Capt. H. Petersen,	6101	WED'DAY, 3rd Febr., at Daylight
VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE, via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKKAICHI, and YOKOHAMA	* AKI MARU Capt. J. Nagao, † YO MARU Capt. S. J. G. Parsons,	6444 6320	TUESDAY, 2nd Febr., at Noon. TUESDAY, 16th Febr., at Noon.
SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE, and BRISBANE	KUMANO MARU Capt. N. Mathieson, YAWATA MARU Capt. T. Sakai,	5076 3817	FRIDAY, 22nd Jan., at Noon. FRIDAY, 19th Febr., at Noon.
KOBE and YOKOHAMA	TAMBA MARU Capt. C. H. Butler,	6134	SATURDAY, 23rd Jan., at Daylight
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE and COLOMBO	† YETOROFU MARU Capt. K. Sato,	3949	MONDAY, 25th January.
SHANGHAI & KOBE	† MOYORI MARU Capt. J. C. Richards,	3265	SATURDAY, 30th January.
NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	† NIKKO MARU Capt. R. Swain,	5539	WED'DAY, 17th Febr., at Noon.

* Omitting Yokkaichi.
† Fitted with Marconi's System of Wireless Telegraphy.
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Hongkong, 20th January, 1909.

T. KUSUMOTO,

MANAGER.

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HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE

HAMBURG.

EAST ASIATIC FREIGHT SERVICE.

Regular Sailings from JAPAN, CHINA and PHILIPPINES, via STRAITS and COLOMBO, to HAVRE, BREMEN and HAMBURG and to NEW YORK.

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NEXT SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG:

OUTWARD.	HOMEWARD.
FOR SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE:	FOR ROTTERDAM, BREMEN & HAMBURG:
S.S. SAXONIA ... 27th Jan.	S.S. C. FERD. LAEISZ ... 25th Jan.
S.S. DORTMUND ... 8th Febr.	FOR HAVRE & HAMBURG:
S.S. SPEZIA ... 18th Febr.	S.S. BARCELONA ... 26th Jan.
S.S. JLYRIA ... 18th Febr.	FOR HAVRE & HAMBURG:
S.S. SILESIA ... 28th Febr.	S.S. SLAVONIA ... 23rd Febr.
S.S. AMBRIA ... 11th March	FOR HAVRE & HAMBURG:
S.S. LIBERIA ... 19th March	S.S. ANDALUSIA ... 27th Febr.
	FOR NEW YORK:
	S.S. ARAGONIA ... 2nd Febr.

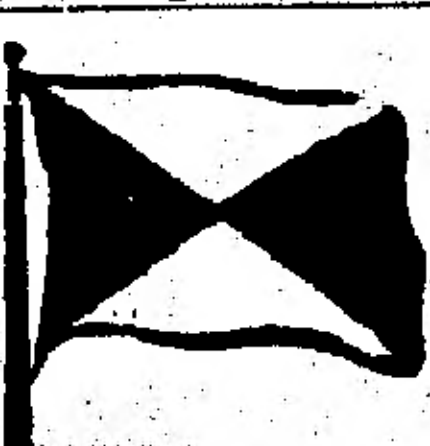
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Hongkong, 19th January, 1909.

Hongkong Office

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RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	Manila	On 21st Jan., 5 P.M.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	Manila	On 30th Jan., Noon.

As a special inducement to intending Visitors to the Philippine Carnival, we are offering a reduced fare of \$60 for passage to Manila and return by our s.s. "ZAFIRO" sailing SATURDAY, the 30th January.

* Tickets issued at this reduced rate will be available for return by either the s.s. "ZAFIRO" leaving Manila on 7th February or the s.s. "RUBI" leaving Manila on 13th February.

For Freight or Passage apply to

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GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 13th January, 1909.

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EAST ASIATIC CO., LD.

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GOTHENBURG.

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

DESTINATION	STEAMERS	DATE OF SAILING.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA and KOBE	"YEDDO"	About 19th January.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA and KOBE	"CATHAY"	On 10th February.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE and COPENHAGEN	"YEDDO"	Middle of February.

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MELCHERS & CO.,

AGENTS.

Hongkong, 20th January, 1909.

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN

REGULAR THREE-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN JAVA, CHINA AND JAPAN.

STEAMER	FROM	EXPECTED OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE FOR	ON OR ABOUT
TJIMAH	JAVA	First half of Jan.	SHANGHAI	First half of Jan.
TJILIWONG	JAPAN	First half of Jan.	JAVA	First half of Jan.
TJIKINI	JAVA	Second half of Jan.	JAPAN	Second half of Jan.
TJILATJAP	JAVA	First half of Febr.	SHANGHAI	First half of Febr.
TJIBODAS	JAVA	First half of Febr.	JAPAN	First half of Febr.
TJIPANAS	JAVA	First half of Febr.	SHANGHAI	First half of Febr.

The Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have accommodation for a limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Netherlands-Indian Ports on through Bills of Lading.

For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to the

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

York Buildings, 1st Floor.

Hongkong, 4th January, 1909.

Telephone No. 375.

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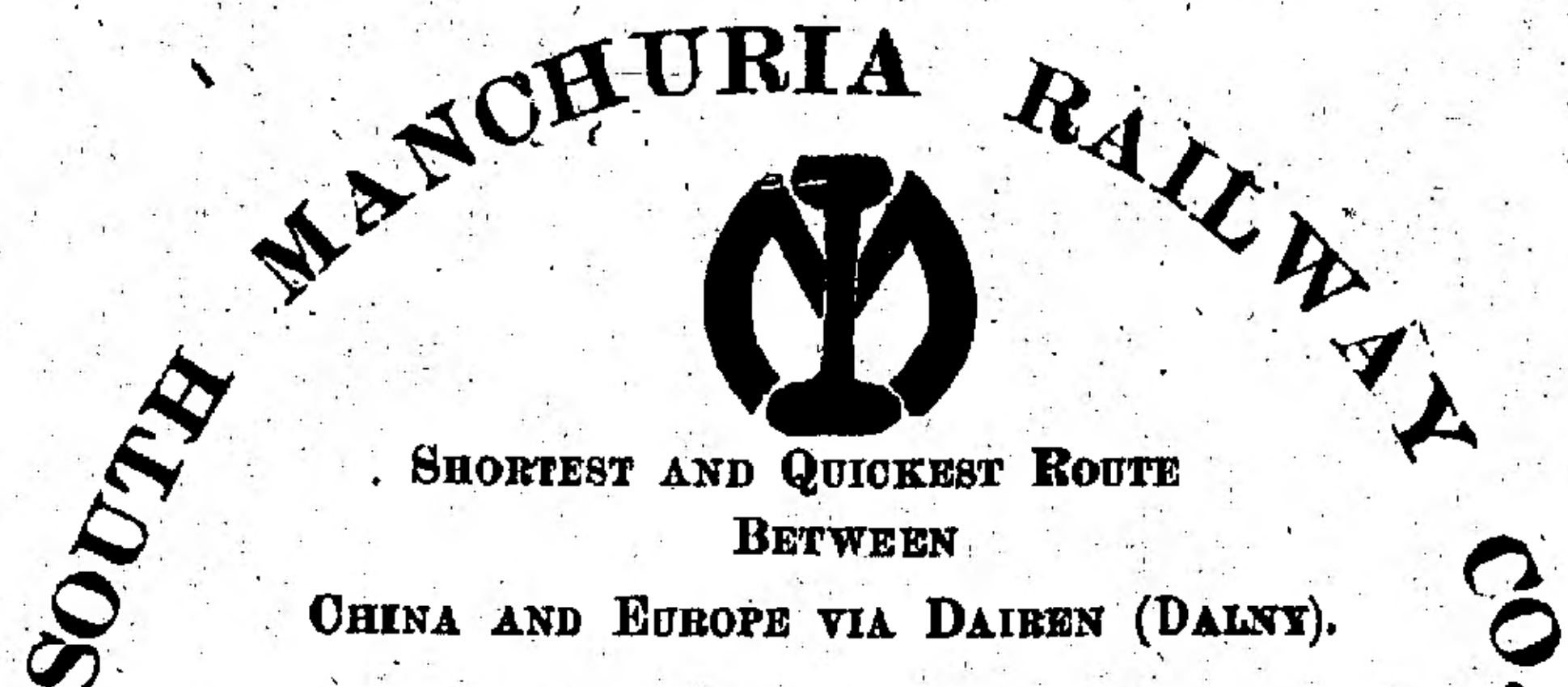
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The Public are informed that the next outgoing Parcel Mail to the United Kingdom and other parts of the World will be closed in this Office at 5 p.m., to-morrow.

The Postmaster General London states that for the present the necessary arrangements for the transmission of Cash on Delivery Parcels from the United Kingdom to Hongkong are not completed at that end. The notice will be given as soon as a date can be fixed for the commencement of the outward service. This does not affect the Homeward service which commenced here on the 1st instant.

Approximate times of closing mails at Shanghai via Dalny and Siberia.

The *Deanka*, with the English mail of the 23rd December, left Singapore on Saturday, the 16th inst., at 10.30 a.m., and may be expected here to-morrow, at 8 a.m. This packet brings letters to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 24th Nov., and the parcels mails closed in London for despatch by the all sea route on the 16th December, and for despatch overland on the 23rd December.

FOR	PER	DATE
Haiphong	Singapore	Wednesday, 20th, 9.11 A.M.
Shanghai	Meafu	Wednesday, 20th, 9.00 A.M.
Singapore	Dagun	Wednesday, 20th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow	Haimun	Wednesday, 20th, 11.00 A.M.
Singapore	Munaster Cant.	Wednesday, 20th, 11.00 A.M.
Saigon	Victoria	Wednesday, 20th, Noon
Shanghai	Sui Tat	Wednesday, 20th, 1.15 P.M.
Manila	Kwonggang	Wednesday, 20th, 2.00 P.M.
Singapore	Tamien	Wednesday, 20th, 2.00 P.M.
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama	Ching Joo	Wednesday, 20th, 2.00 P.M.
Shanghai, Yokohama, Kobe and Moji	Montgomeryshire	Wednesday, 20th, 3.00 P.M.
Kobe, Singapore and Penang	Persia	Wednesday, 20th, 4.00 P.M.
Shanghai	Anglin	Wednesday, 20th, 5.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy, Foochow and Shanghai	Choshan Maru	Wednesday, 20th, 5.00 P.M.
Saigon	Hopsang	Wednesday, 20th, 5.00 P.M.
Bangkok	Chosai	Thursday, 21st, 9.00 A.M.
Haiphong	Hongkong	Thursday, 21st, 11.00 A.M.
Manila	Sui Tat	Thursday, 21st, 1.15 P.M.
Shanghai	Loongam	Thursday, 21st, 2.00 P.M.
Cebu and Iloilo	Sunggang	Thursday, 21st, 3.00 P.M.
Manila	Zebu	Thursday, 21st, 4.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Anping	Shoshu Maru	Thursday, 21st, 5.00 P.M.

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EXCHANGE CLOSING QUOTATION.

January 19th.	
ON LONDON :—	
Telegraphic Transfer	1/98
Bank Bills, on demand	1/98
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	1/98
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	1/98
Credits, at 4 months' sight	1/98
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight	1/98
ON PARIS :—	
Bank Bills, on demand	224
Credits, at 4 months' sight	229
ON CURRENCY :—	
On demand	183
ON NEW YORK :—	
Bank Bills, on demand	434
Credits, at 60 days' sight	444
ON BOMBAY :—	
Telegraphic Transfer	1353
Bank, on demand	1344
ON CALCUTTA :—	
Telegraphic Transfer	1353
Bank, on demand	1344
ON SHANGHAI :—	
Bank, at sight	743
Private, 30 days' sight	753
ON YOKOHAMA :—On demand	871
ON MANILA :—On demand—Pesos	871
ON SINGAPORE :—On demand	1073
ON BATAVIA :—On demand	1147
ON HATYONG :—On demand	1147 p.m.
ON SAIGON :—On demand	1147
ON BANGKOK :—On demand	861
SOVEREIGNS, Bank's Buying Rate	\$1.105
GOLD LEAF, 100 fms, per tael	\$57.90
BAR SILVER, per oz.	248

OPIUM.

Quotations are:—	January 18th.
Malwa New	\$1.110 per picul.
Malwa Old	\$1.120
Malwa Older	\$1.130
Malwa V. Old	\$1.150
Foreign fine quality	\$850
Foreign extra fine	\$980
Patna New	\$1.100 per chest.
Patna Old	\$1.135
Bengal New	\$1.030
Bengal Old	

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.
The P. & O. str. *Deanka* left Singapore for this port on the 16th inst. at 10.30 a.m., with the outward English Mail, and is due here to-morrow at about 8 a.m.

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.
The I.G.M. str. *Manila* left Sydney on the 15th inst. p.m., and may be expected here on or about Wednesday the 3rd inst.

THE INDIAN MAIL.
The Indo-China str. *Namoun* left Calcutta for this port via the Straits on 15th inst., and may be expected here on or about 31st inst.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.
The Glen Line str. *Glenara* left Singapore on the 13th inst., and may be expected to arrive here to-day.

The Swedish str. *Yedda* left Singapore on the 12th inst. afternoon, and may be expected here to-day a.m.

The N.Y.K. str. *Tamba Maru* (European Line) left Singapore for this port on the 15th inst., and is expected here to-morrow.
The str. *Adato* left Seattle for Hongkong via Japan ports on the 24th ult.
The E. & A. str. *Aldemah* left Sydney on 16th inst. for Queensland Ports, Port Darwin, Manila and this Port.
The German str. *Borneo* left Sandakan on the 16th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 22nd inst.

The N.Y.K. str. *Yetofu Maru* (Bomby Line) left Kobe for this port via Moji on the 15th inst., and is expected here on the 23rd inst.
The N.Y.K. str. *Atsuta Maru* (American Line) left Kobe for this port via Moji and Shanghai on the 15th inst., and is expected here on the 24th inst.
The N.Y.K. str. *Kamo Maru* (European Line) left Kobe for this port via Moji and Shanghai on the 16th inst., and is expected here on the 25th inst.

The *Chargours Rennis* str. *Amiral Duperré* is expected to arrive at this port on or about the 27th inst., and probably will leave on the same date for Shanghai, Japan and San Francisco.
The Danish str. *Cathay* left Port Said on the 11th inst., and may be expected here on or about middle of next month.
The N.Y.K. str. *Meiyori Maru* (Bomby Line) left Bombay for this port via Singapore on the 7th inst., and is expected here on the 28th inst.

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From January 24th to 26th, 1909.

HIGH WATER.				LOW WATER.			
Date	Time	Height	Direction	Date	Time	Height	Direction
Wed. 20	11.45	12.2	1.2	Wed. 20	1.45	1.2	1.2
Thurs. 21	10.45	12.2	1.2	Thurs. 21	1.45	1.2	1.2
Fri. 22	9.45	12.2	1.2	Fri. 22	1.45	1.2	1.2
Sat. 23	8.45	12.2	1.2	Sat. 23	1.45	1.2	1.2
Sun. 24	7.45	12.2	1.2	Sun. 24	1.45	1.2	1.2
Mon. 25	6.45	12.2	1.2	Mon. 25	1.45	1.2	1.2
Tues. 26	5.45	12.2	1.2	Tues. 26	1.45	1.2	1.2

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, January 19th.

Barometer	Therm. (Wet bulb)	Therm. (Dry bulb)	Wind	Force	Weather
80.02	80.11	80.01	65	68	71
80	80	78	78	75	78
80	80	78	78	75	78
80	80	78	78	75	78
80	80	78	78	75	78
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80	80	78	78	75	78
80	80	78	78	75	78
80	80	78	78	75	78
80	80	78	78	75	78

Highest open air Temperature on 18th inst. 69.

Lowest open air Temperature on 18th inst. 61.

MESSRS. FALCONER & CO.'S REGISTER.

January 19th.

Barometer 9 A.M. 30.06	Therm. (Wet bulb) 9 A.M. 69
Barometer 1 P.M. 30.06	Therm. (Wet bulb) 1 P.M. 69
Barometer 4 P.M. 29.98	Therm. (Wet bulb) 4 P.M. 69
Thermom. 9 A.M. 64	Therm. Maximum over night 69
Thermom. 1 P.M. 66	Therm. Minimum over night 62
Thermom. 4 P.M. 68	

SHARE LIST—QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, JANUARY 19TH, 1909.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS CASH.
BANKS.				
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corporation.	120,000	\$125	all	\$885, buyers
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	\$7	26	\$51.
MARINE INSURANCES.				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Limited	10,000	\$260	\$50	\$195, sellers
China Traders Insurance Co., Limited	24,000	\$85.33	\$25	\$874, buyers
North-China Insurance Co., Limited	10,000	\$15	25	\$105.
Union Insurance Society, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$100	\$825, buyers
Yantai Insurance Association, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$60	\$172, buyers
FIRE INSURANCES.				
China Fire Insurance Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	20	\$106, sellers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited	8,000	\$250	50	\$330.
DOCKS, ETC.				
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Limited	50,000	\$50	all	\$92, sales
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited	18,000	\$25	325	\$12, sellers
New Amoy Dock Co., Limited	10,000	\$62	364	\$24, buyers
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 75.
STEAMBOATS, TRUGS, ETC.				
China and Manila Steamship Co., Limited	30,000	\$25	\$25	\$13, sellers
Donghai Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	\$50	all	\$33, buyers
Hongkong, Canton & Macao S.S. Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	\$15	\$29, buyers
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$5	all	\$437, sellers
Star Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$1847, buyers
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Limited	2,000,000	\$1	46	\$15, buyers
Taku Tag and Lighter Co., Limited	8,600	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 45.
Shanghai Tag and Lighter Co., Limited	200,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 47.
Do.	100,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 51.
REFINERIES.				
China Sugar Company, Limited	20,000	\$100	all	\$112.
Yusong Sugar Company, Limited	7,000	\$100	all	\$18.
Perak Sugar Cultivation Co., Limited	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 95.
WHARVES.				
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co.	60,000	\$50	all	\$45.
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co.	32,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 144.
LANDS AND BUILDINGS.				
Hongkong Land Investment Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	100	\$92, buyers
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Limited	78,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 120.
Kowloon Land and Building Company	6,000	\$50	\$50	\$33, sellers
Wai-tai-wei Land and Building Co.	2,000	Tls. 25	Tls. 25	Tls. 2.
Humphreys' Estate and Finance Co.	150,000	\$10	all	\$94, buyers
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	\$46, sellers
TRAMWAYS.				
The Peak Tramways Co., Limited	25,000	\$10	all	\$14.
	50,000	\$10	\$1	\$2.
MINING.				
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	18,000	Fcs. 250	all	\$590, buyers
Bent Australian Gold Mining Co., Limited	200,000	\$1	18/10	\$83, sellers
HOTELS, ETC.				
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	\$50	all	\$88, buyers
Astor House Hotel Co., Limited (Shanghai)	30,000	\$25	\$25	\$164.
DISPENSARIES.				
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	90,000	\$10	\$10	\$94.
Watkins, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$2, buyers
LIGHTING.				
Hongkong and China Gas Co., Limited	7,000	\$10	all	\$200.
Shanghai Gas Company, Limited	8,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 121.
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	\$10	\$184, buyers
MISCELLANEOUS.				
Green Island Cement Co., Limited	400,000	\$10	10	\$9.90.
Hongkong Milling Co., Ltd. (in Liquidation)	15,000	\$100	\$100	Nominal
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	9,000	\$12/6	12/6	\$83, buyers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	100,000	\$10	\$10	\$124.
Union Waterboat Co., Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	\$230.
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co.	25,000	\$74	\$6	\$14, n. issued
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	\$25	all	\$220, sellers
Robinson Piano Co., Limited	4,000	\$50	\$50	\$59, sellers
Shanghai Waterworks Co., Limited	16,350	\$20	\$20	Tls. 4374.
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	all	\$24, buyers
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Limited	125,000	\$10	\$10	\$9, buyers
Ewo Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	20,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 20.
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 69, sellers
Laon-Kung-Mow Cotton Spin & Weav. Co. Ltd.	2,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 73, buy.
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Limited	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	Tls. 285, buy.
China Provident, Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$10	\$10	\$93, buyers
China Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	\$12	\$12	\$11, buyers
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	\$10	all	\$9, buyers
Wm. Powell, Limited	12,000	\$7	\$7	\$4, sellers
South China Morning Post	3,000	\$25	\$25	\$24.
China Light and Power Company	50,000	\$10	\$10	\$5.
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	50,000	\$1	\$1	\$5.
Weissmann, Limited	20,000	\$5	\$5	\$53, buyers
	175	\$100	\$100	\$140.
CIGAR COMPANIES.				
Philippine Co., Limited	67,500	\$10	\$10	\$8, sellers
Alhambra, Limited	300	\$500	\$50	Nominal

Loans.	Amount.	Value.	Interest.	Quotation.
Chinese Imperial 1896	Tls. 767,200	Tls. 250	7 1/2 p. annum	Par.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.
Per *Pakhoi*, from Swatow, Mrs. Williams.
Per *Haimun*, from Swatow, Mrs. and Miss Motha.
Per *Montgomeryshire*, from London, Mr. Munroe.
Per *Kumano Maru*, from Japan, &c., Mrs. T. Ito, Messrs T. Iyemaga, K. Kurashige and H. Shingusui.
Per *Bingo Maru*, from Japan, &c., Mrs. J. Shaw, Miss B. Milligan, Miss C. Fritsch, Miss N. E. Shaw, Miss M. M. Shaw, Messrs M. W. Mumma, W. Wynne, H. Pollock, W. G. Baker, Benedict and T. H. Kelley.
Per *Zebu*, from Manila, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Welch, Mr. and Mrs. W. Atherton, Messrs M. D. Euston, Dr. H. W. Jones, Messrs M. A. Drucker, J. B. Thompson, E. A. Smith, O. D. F. Redford, A. G. Crawford and W. P. Dempster.
Per *Yasuda Maru*, from Melbourne, &c., Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Huler, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Pitt and 3 children, Mr. and Mrs. A. Chilver, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Barber, Capt. and Mrs. F. M. Barber, Mrs. F. B. McGovern and child, Mrs. E. Edgar, Mrs. E. Conling, Miss M. P. Waterman, Miss Delavate, Rev. Bishop Brent, Rev. A. Marques, Messrs H. Flower, E. McGeehan, R. D. Heuin, F. P. Cochrane, J. E. Williams, C. Leober, Eugster and H. O. Campbell.
Per *Tango Maru*, for Seattle, &c., Mrs. C. E. Conling, Bishop C. H. Brent, Rev. A. Marques, Messrs E. Wagner, Y. B. Angles, C. Murakami, K. Murakami and Takahashi.
Per *Tango Maru*, for San Francisco, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Sharpe, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Wilson and infant, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Stewart and infant, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Hulse, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Welch, Surg. and Mrs. C. P. Kindelberger, Mrs. E. A. Clark, Mrs. A. B. Barber, Consul Dr. Rossin, Rev. E. W. Thurg, Messrs Wm. B. Hull, A. Wisteneisen and child, M. Miyasaki, M. F. Appleyard, F. Appleyard, A. L. Rhodes, F. F. Chye and family, F. C. Focken, S. B. Thompson, K. Matsuda, H. M. Pitt & family.
Per *Tonkin*, for Marseille, &c., Mr. and Mrs. Max Donald, Mr. and Mrs. Chilver, Mrs. Boser, Mrs. Gray, Mrs. Simon, Mrs. M. P. Poute, Mrs. Fainy, Mrs. Carr, Mrs. Coleman, Mrs. Lila Vangor, Mrs. Davis, Rev. S. Joseph, Rev. E. Alevy, Rev. P. Bernard, Messrs A. Coffey, d'Almeida, J. Collette, Gausserand, Haisan, E. Slot, K. H. T. Engster, P. A. Van de Stadt, N. W. Keid, Ed. W. Dove.

STEAMERS PASSED THE CANAL.

December 19th—Ganges. 23rd—Braemar, *Malta*, *Ville de la Ciotat*, *Ghaese*, *Sol*, *Inverclyde*, *Bendloch*, *Kemun*, *Poly*, *Sol*, *Sonoma*, *Senegambia*, *Palm*, *Tamba Maru*, January 2nd—Nord, *Somali*, *Colombo Maru*, *Paloclu*, 6th—*Norman*, *Princes*, *Vorwurtz*, *Wray Castle*, *Bengoe*, *Bombay Maru*, *Oopack*, *Polyphenus*, *Lungbank*, 9th—*Goeben*, *Indraamba*, *Hakata*, *Marie*, *Inaba Maru*, *Prinz Regent Luitpold*, *Prometheus*, 13th—*China* (Aus.), *Fintshire*, *Glenray*, *Salante*, *Cathay*, *Roma*, 16th—*Peiho*, *Achilles*, *Dumbea*, *Palawan*, *Palermo*, *Tenka*.

ARRIVALS AT HOME.

Jan. 15th—Canton, *Kennedie*.

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